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FOOTBALL UPSETS HUDDERSFIELD ROUTED Spurs Drop Valuable Home Points COVENTRY AND TRANMERE DISAPPOINT

London, To-day.
Huddersfield received a jolt yesterday when they were completely outplayed by the reorganised Aston Villa side at Villa Park, and as a result were displaced by the Arsenal in the premier English Football League table.
Pompey secured a meritorious win over Derby, while Leicester City increased the gap between themselves and their nearest rivals in the Second Division as the result of Tottenham's surprising home defeat and Doncaster's failure to score against Notts Forest.
Coventry caused their supporters some anxiety when they bowed to the lowly placed Aldershot, but Reading also failed. Luton, however, won in Nottingham, scoring three times without reply from the County.
Tranmere sustained a severe check when they were routed by Oldham, and Chester and Chesterfield, their nearest rivals, shared two goals in their "needle" match.
Results, as cabled by Reuter, were as follows:

FIRST DIVISION

Results as cabled by Reuter, were—

Aston Villa	4	Huddersfield	1
Blackburn	0	Stoke	0
Bolton	0	Wolves	3
Brentford	5	Preston	2
Grimsby	1	Birmingham	0
Leeds	0	Sunderland	0
Liverpool	0	Arsenal	1
Manchester C.	0	Chelsea	3
Portsmouth	3	Derby	0
Wedge	0	Everton	0

SECOND DIVISION

*Bradford C.	0	Newcastle	2
Burnley	3	Blackpool	0
Bury	0	Norwich	1
Doncaster	0	Notts F.	0
Fulham	0	Charlton	0
Leicester	5	Bradford	0
*Port Vale	0	Hull	0
Swansea	1	Sheffield U.	3
Tottenham	1	Plymouth	2
West Ham	0	Southampton	0

THIRD DIVISION (South)

Brighton	3	Bristol C.	0
Bristol R.	2	Bournemouth	1
Clapton	3	Gillingham	1
Coventry	0	Aldershot	2
Millwall	2	Exeter	2
Newport	1	Torquay	6
Northampton	4	Reading	3
Notts C.	0	Luton	0
Queen's P.R.	3	Watford	1
Southend	3	Cardiff	1
Swindon	0	Crystal P.	2

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Chester	1	Chesterfield	0
Crewe	4	Accrington	1
*Darlington	2	York	2
Gateshead	2	Hull	1
Hartlepool	4	Manxfield	1
Oldham	4	Tranmere	1
Rochdale	1	Barrow	1
Southport	2	Stockport	3
Walsall	5	Wrexham	0

*Postponed owing to fog.
†Ground unfit for play.
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TIGER'S QUIET XMAS!

The tiger that is prowling about in the New Territories is evidently spending a very quiet Xmas, for, despite the fact that several search parties went out after the beast, no trace has been seen of it since it was last seen by the party of soldiers who were returning to Fanling late last Friday night.



Federal troops, such as shown left, were rushed last month from Rio de Janeiro and other points to the state of Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil, where communist revolutionists captured Natal and other important points. The main street of Natal is shown on the right.

THE KING'S BROADCAST MESSAGE OF HOPE AND CHEER TO UNEMPLOYED

London, To-day.
A feature of the Christmas Day celebration was the King's broadcast, which was eagerly listened to by millions of people throughout the Empire.
His Majesty, speaking from Sandringham, Norfolk, addressed his subjects as "My dear friends," and referred to the unforgettable tokens of loyalty and love offered to him and the Queen on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee. He dwelt on the personal link between him and his people, which he valued more than he could say. To the distressed and unemployed he tendered a message of hope and cheer.

S. AFRICANS OUT FOR 157 Australians Building Up Big Score

Johannesburg, To-day.
The Australian touring team concluded the first day's play in the second Test against the South Africans 11 runs ahead with 7 wickets in hand.
There were 8,000 present when Wade won the toss and elected to bat on a fiery turf wicket.
S. Africa: 157 (W. J. O'Reilly 4 for 54, McCormick 3 for 36, C. V. Grimmett 3 for 29).
Australia: 168 for 3 (Fingleton 62, W. A. Brown 51).—Reuter.

M.C.C. IN WINNING POSITION BRIGHTER CRICKET AT CHRISTCHURCH

Christchurch, To-day.
The M.C.C. touring eleven secured a lead of 121 runs over Canterbury yesterday when they carried their overnight total of 108 for 4 to 364. At the close of play the home team were 85 runs in arrears with nine wickets in hand.
Barber and Lyttleton added 156 for the fifth wicket. After a very cautious start they played sparkling cricket, especially Lyttleton. Read hit two glorious sixes in his 24 not out.
Fighting the ball splendidly, and having a cleverly placed field, Cromb succeeded in taking 5 for 52.
Canterbury: 245 (Kerr 146 not out, Sims 5 for 42) and 26 for one wicket.
M.C.C.: 364 (Barber 116, Lyttleton 86, Mitchell 50, Read 24 not out, I. B. Cromb 5 for 52).—Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

North-east winds, fresh, fine, was the weather forecast for today, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

THREE NEW LAWS IN FRANCE Passed "En Bloc" By Senate

Paris, Yesterday.
The Senate, by 207 votes to 84, passed en bloc three laws relating to disarmament, the League's prohibition against carrying arms, and stricter control over the press. The only variation was one which made the Cabinet responsible for the dissolution of the League by a Presidential decree instead of the Minister of Interior and the State Council. The Deputies are likely to assent there.—Reuter.

SWANSEA'S WIN OVER WATSONIANS LONDON WELSH BEAT NEATH

London, To-day.
Three friendly Rugby Union matches were played on Christmas Day, Swansea, the conquerors of the All Blacks, beating the Watsonians by 11 points to 6, and Bridgend beating Maesteg by 3 points to 5.
Neath, playing at home, lost to the London Welsh by 10 points to 6.—Reuter.

SENSATION IN TIENTSIN U.S. Doctor Held On Grave Charge ALLEGED POISONING OF WIFE

Tientsin, To-day.
A sensation has been caused among the foreign community by the arrest of Dr. John Colbert, a prominent American practitioner, on a charge of attempting to poison his wife, formerly Mrs. Hovey, the widow of a member of the staff of the Standard Oil Co. of New York and a leading tennis player, who was a patient in hospital for a lengthy period, allegedly suffering from heart trouble.
The District Attorney is leaving for Tientsin to-morrow. The preliminary hearing in the Consular Court has been waived and the case remitted direct to the U.S. Court.
The accused has been admitted to bail of U.S.\$25,000.—Reuter.

TANG YU-JEN ASSASSINATED IN SHANGHAI Assailants Escape

Shanghai, To-day.
Mr. Tang Yu-jen, former Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, was assassinated yesterday as he stepped from a motor-car outside his residence in the French Concession. Ten shots were fired, of which three found their mark. The assailants escaped.—Reuter.

DUCE'S PRESENT TO TROOPS Package With Cognac And Cigarettes

Massawa, To-day.
Signor Mussolini's present to the troops is a package containing cigarettes and a bottle of cognac. Hundreds of lorries are engaged in transporting the packages to the front. The Christmas Day temperature was 94 in the shade, and the air was infested with flies.—Reuter.

DUKE OF SPOLETO ON ACTIVE SERVICE Italian Royalty's Third Representative

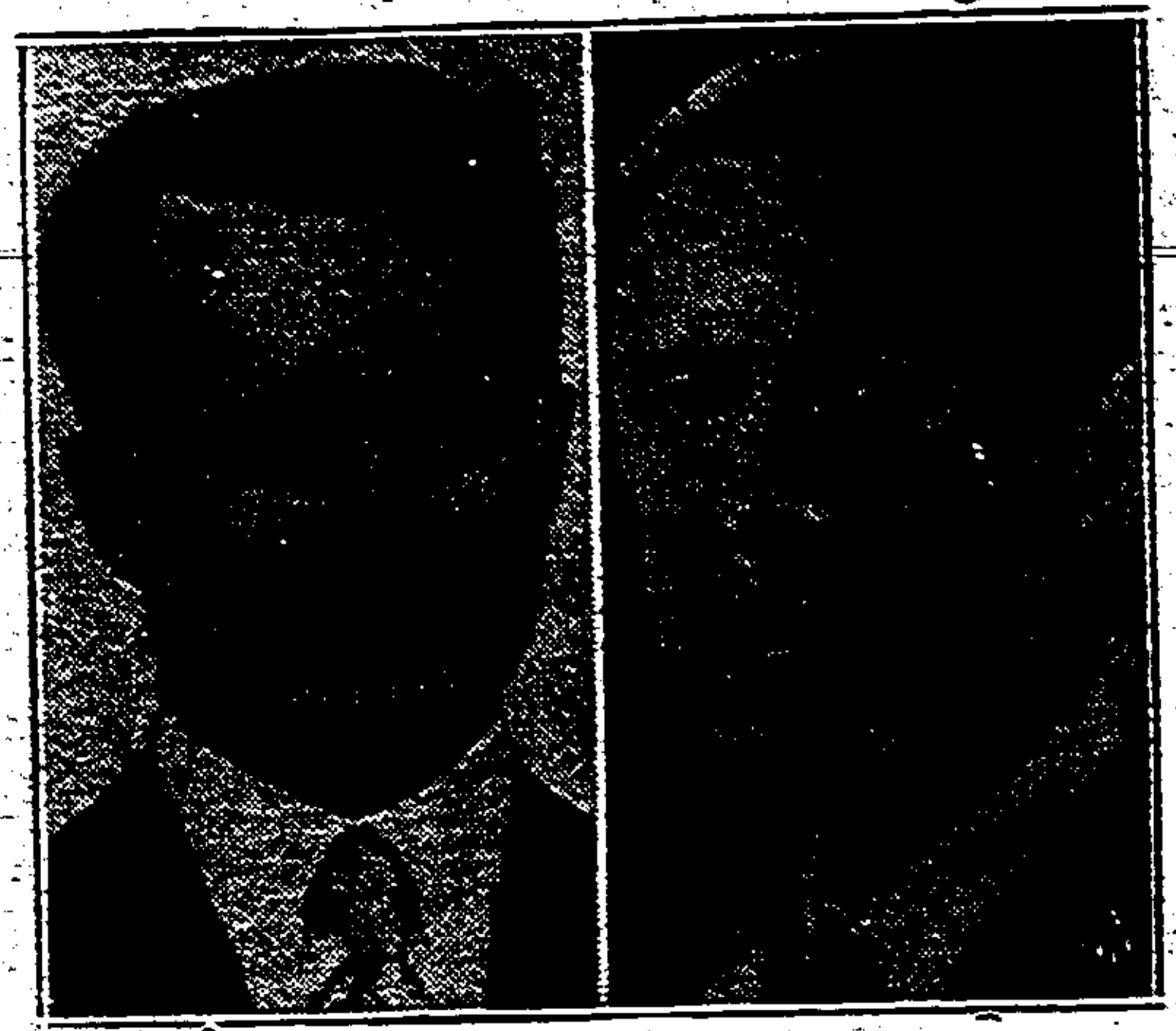
Massawa, To-day.
The Duke of Spoleto has arrived to take over command of the Red Sea Fleet. He is the third member of the royal family on active service.—Reuter.

DARDANELLES TO BE RE-FORTIFIED Foreign Minister and Ambassador Visited M. Leval yesterday and are reported to have discussed the re- fortification of the Dardanelles.

Paris, Yesterday.—The Turkish Foreign Minister and Ambassador visited M. Leval yesterday and are reported to have discussed the re-fortification of the Dardanelles. It is believed that France will offer no objection if Britain is favourable to the project.—Reuter.

GERMAN AIR ACCIDENT Lufthansa Machine Crashes

Berlin, Yesterday.
A new high-speed Heinkel machine, belonging to Lufthansa, crashed when landing at Usedom airport. All the occupants, pilot, mechanic and passenger, were killed.—Reuter.



The British Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, proceeding with the mandate given him by the British electorate to prepare for war, installed Alfred Duff-Cooper as Minister of War, and placed Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell in the House of Lords so that he could continue as First Lord of the Admiralty. Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell, who was not re-elected to the House of Commons, was raised to the peerage for the purpose.

LOCAL FOOTBALL NEWS SUSPENDED DECISION BY CHINESE PAPERS

Thousands of readers of the Chinese newspapers were this morning disappointed at the entire absence of any report on yesterday's charity football game between China and Scotland, and enquiries this morning revealed that about 20 Chinese newspapers decided at a meeting yesterday to refrain from publishing—for the time being at least—any news on local football.
This decision, it is understood, was arrived at, as the result of a pending action by one of the First Division referees against one of the best-known vernacular papers.
This step is not one of sympathy with the newspaper involved, but is only a precautionary measure. The newspapers have decided to be on the safe side until the matter is settled.
The newspapers concerned have an aggregate daily circulation of almost 100,000; while one which caters especially for the football public disposes of 15,000 copies during the week-ends when an important soccer game is on.
As not even the fixtures will be published and the Chinese are now very keen on the line-ups of the teams before they go to a game, the gates of the different games will probably be greatly affected and a large number of newspaper boys, (mostly unlicensed) will be deprived of the means for earning a living.

STUDENTS' VISIT TO NANKING Trainloads Marooned Near Shanghai

Shanghai, To-day.
Two trainloads of students who left for Nanking on Tuesday were marooned at Quinsan, 20 miles from Shanghai, where the engine drivers left the trains. A number of members of the Peace Preservation Corps left for Quinsan to preserve order, while a number of students walked back to Shanghai last night.—Reuter.

MR. CHOW LUP'S RETURN Shanghai, To-day.—Mr. Chow Lu, Chancellor of Sun Yat Sen University, left for Hong Kong yesterday by the a.s. President Grant.—Reuter.

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Sufferings
CHRISTMAS FAVOURS STREWN
ALONG SCENE OF TRAGEDY

Berlin, To-day.
Twenty people are reported to have been killed and 80 injured in a railway collision near Grossheringen in Thuringia, when an express train from Berlin crashed into a stationary local train.
Later: In the terrific crash a number of cars of the local train were smashed to smithereens, and the terrible cries of the injured, penned beneath the debris, rent the night air. Rescue trains, doctors, and ambulances were rushed to the spot, while the bitter cold added to the sufferings of the victims. None of the passengers in the express were injured.

The signals, it is alleged, were against the express, but another version of the accident declares that the express was switched on to the wrong track.

Most of the casualties were villagers who were paying Christmas Eve visits to friends and relatives, and parcels containing Christmas presents in gay paper wrappings, and children's toys, were scattered about the railway track among the debris and injured.

23 DEAD: 22 SERIOUSLY HURT
Berlin, Later: The casualties in the train accident now amount to 23 dead and 22 seriously injured, while 50 have been slightly hurt. Soldiers are searching the River Saale for further victims, on the bridge of which the accident happened.

Part of the local train had already crossed to another line when the express thundered along and bore down upon it and hurled one car into the river and a second across the bridge-railings. Another six cars were telescoped. The driver of the second engine of the express saw that the line was blocked but was helpless to bring the train to a standstill.
Later: The death toll in the rail smash is now 30.—Reuter.

OBITUARY Modern Austrian Composer Vienna, Yesterday.

The death has occurred of Alan Berg, the composer of the opera "Wozzeck".—Reuter.
Alan Berg was an Austrian and one of the best known of contemporary composers. His work is intensely modern in style and makes use of the so-called quarter-tone scale. In addition to "Wozzeck," which is considered a tour de force in modern composition, he has written a number of chamber music compositions, including a string quartet. Portions of "Wozzeck" were broadcast by the B.B.C. for the first time in England quite recently, and met with a very mixed reception.

Colonel Robert Lorraine

London, Yesterday.—The death has occurred of the actor Colonel Robert Lorraine, after an operation for quinsy. He served in the Air Force during the war and later attempted a flight to America.—Reuter.

MAIL SCHEDULES

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

From the First day of December 1935 charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 0.95 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

The Hong Government Radio Telegraph Service, announced that from next Monday charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 1.05 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

XMAS Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 14th December 1935 to 6th January 1936, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words. Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Radio Office.

INWARD MAILS

FROM EUROPE

Rajputana (via Suez) Dec. 26

FROM SHANGHAI

Naldera Dec. 26
Potsdam Dec. 26
Pres. Grant Dec. 26
Pres. Doumer Dec. 31

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Soudan Dec. 24
Tama Dec. 24
Rajputana Dec. 26
Hosang Dec. 26
Lycan Dec. 30
Yasukuni Maru Dec. 31
Titan Dec. 31
Cremor Dec. 31

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Grant Dec. 27

FROM MANILA

Emp. Of Japan Dec. 27
Pres. Hoover Dec. 27

FROM JAPAN

Atsuta Maru Dec. 27
Naldera Dec. 27
Pres. Grant Dec. 27
Toyama Maru Dec. 28
Nagato Maru Dec. 28
Geno Maru Dec. 30
Nankin Dec. 30

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Naldera (via Marseilles) Dec. 27
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m.
Ord. 10.30 a.m.
Pres. Hoover (via Francisco) Dec. 27
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Pres. Doumer (via Orient Service) Dec. 30
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m.
Ord. 9.30 a.m.
Agamemnon (via Marseilles) Dec. 31

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Van Heutz Dec. 26
Naldera Dec. 27
Pres. Doumer Dec. 31
Agamemnon Dec. 31

FOR MANILA

Pres. Grant Dec. 28

FOR U.S.A.

Pres. Hoover Dec. 27

FOR JAPAN

Rajputana Dec. 27
Pres. Hoover Dec. 27

MEASLES THE FASHION

Spotted Veils Liked In Cannes

LEATHER RINGS ALSO IN VOGUE

In Cannes, "measles" are fashionable. Short scarlet-spotted veils, which make their wearers appear to be suffering from measles, are the latest craze amongst women gamblers in the casino.

The veils, which are worn with close-fitting black or scarlet hats, cover the whole face.

Leather ear-rings, and rings cut in the shape of flowers and fruit and coloured accordingly are also popular. Muffs are being extensively carried, but this year they are made entirely of artificial flowers with a toque to match.

FOR SHANGHAI

Andre Lebon Dec. 26

Rajputana Dec. 26

Pres. Hoover Dec. 27

FOR AUSTRALIA

Atsuta Maru Dec. 28

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Burgundy For Table Use

SWEET WINES AND WAFERS

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Average knowledge of wine will suffice for average needs. Surely you know how to select a blend of coffee compatible with your tastes. So it is with wine. Don't be led into buying wine on the recommendation of someone else. After you have tasted various types you are sure to find one or more wines that taste just right to you. All wines are not alike, and you will soon be able to determine flavour, body, colour and strength.

Light wines, by the meaning wines of fairly mild flavour, body and strength, are really of great assistance to the appetite. Wine

of this character is not intoxicating, but it does prove a mild stimulant, highly to be desired.

If you patronize a reliable wine dealer you will be able to sample various wines, thereby buying according to personal taste. There are many excellent brands of table wines that will win your approval if you will just go to the trouble of seeking them out.

Consider the light Burgundy or claret for table use. They are inexpensive and most palatable, but remember that they are only to be served with food. On the other hand, such sweet wines as muscatel, sherry, port and anglica are not accompanied by food, though small sweet wafers are permissible.

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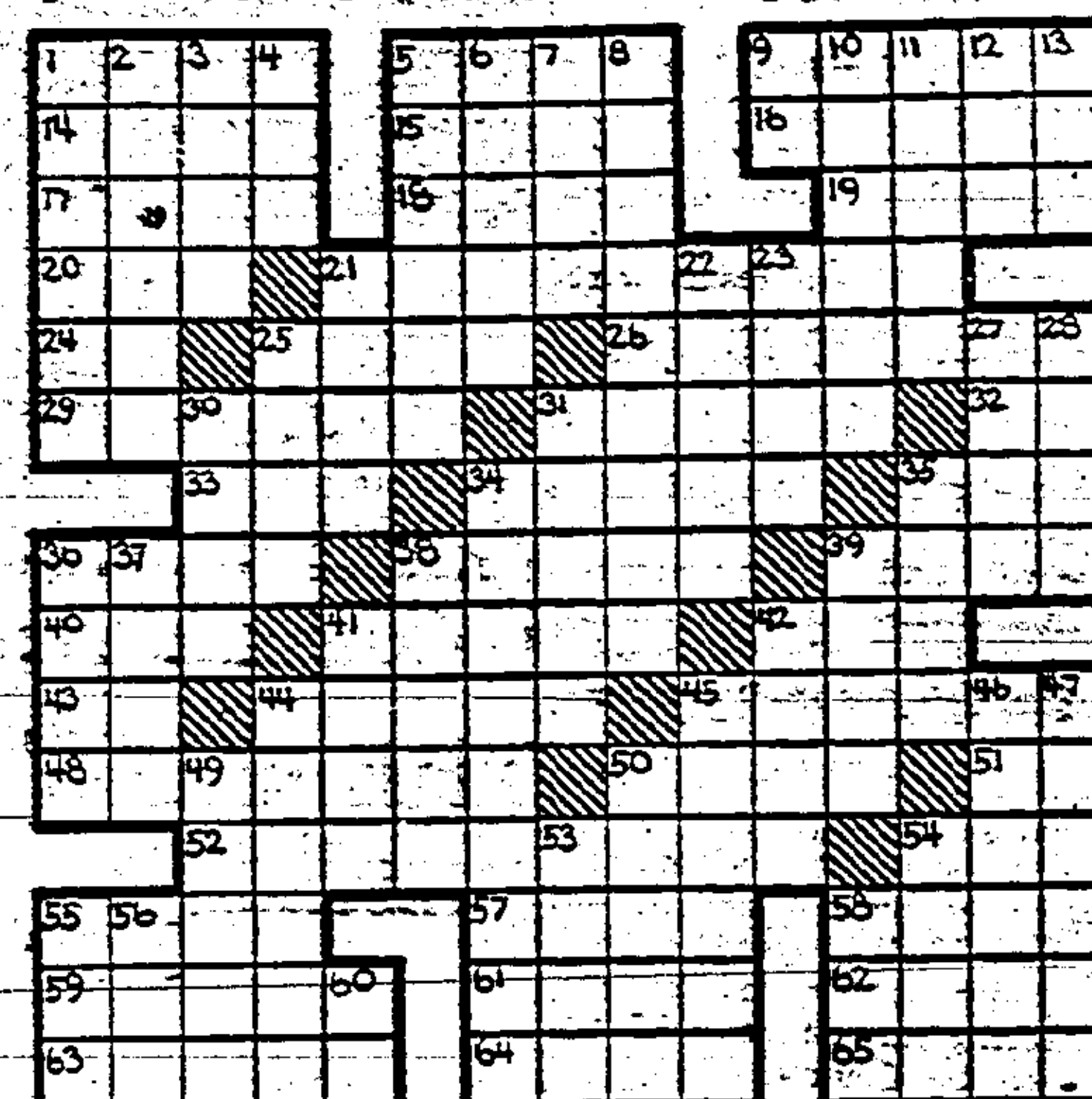
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Iron oxide	44-Obtains by threats	12-Residence (abbr.)
2-Crate	45-A tree	13-Superlative suffix
3-Frighten	51-Negative	21-Mail
14-Large continent	52-Kinsmen	22-Long grass stems
15-Turkish official	54-Cavity (abbr.)	23-Terminates
16-Charles (colloq.)	55-Man's name	24-Chief actor
17-Rave	57-Ireland	27-A rodent (pl.)
18-Bargain	58-Regal gown	28-Wall
19-Largest quantity	59-Boundaries	32-Disharge
20-Incise	61-A flower	31-Blind
21-Old Spanish coin	62-Exclaim	34-Those who deem
24-A point of compass	63-End of hammer opposite face (pl.)	35-Military assistant
(abbr.)	64-Cut (Prov. Eng.)	36-Cripple
25-Covers with turf	65-A beverage (pl.)	37-Highest point
26-Places in the middle		38-British island in Mediterranean Sea
29-Blood-sucking fly of Africa		39-Tardy
31-Molt		41-Maiden
32-Near by		42-Kitchen utensil (pl.)
33-Small rug		44-Enemies
34-Acts		45-Did wrong
35-Consumed		46-Make lace
36-Den		47-Fictional stories
38-Boundaries (Scott.)		48-Exchange
39-To talk hesitatingly		50-To hold balanced
40-Skillful		53-A metal
41-Scottish		54-A fuel
Highlanders		55-Serpent
42-Tablet		56-Expire
43-Pronoun		58-Reformed Church in America (abbr.)
44-Membranes		59-Steamship (abbr.)
45-A dress lining		

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.



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BRIDGE NOTES

Making Entries

By Ely Culbertson

The more one learns about the play of the cards at Contract Bridge, the more he realizes how very important it is to pay due attention to entries. Most of the fine plays which I discuss in this column from time to time would be impossible if the proper line of communications were not always open between two partners.

Finances, suit establishment, squeezes and almost every other department of the game lean heavily upon the right to lead, which no player ever has without an entry to his hand.

It is just as important to prevent the opponents from making full use of their own available entry-cards as to make the most of your own entries. In today's hand, the old "second-hand low" rule is disregarded, in order to rob an opponent of an entry.

West Dealer

Neither side vulnerable

North:

S—53

H—9543

D—Q10

C—A9875

West:

S—104

H—A J

D—A J 7 5 4

C—J 6 3 2

East:

S—A J

H—10 8 7 2

D—9 8 3 2

C—Q 10 4

South:

S—K Q 9 8 7 6 2

H—K Q 6

D—K 6

C—K

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

West North East South

Pass Pass Pass 1S (1)

2D Pass Pass 2S (2)

Pass 4C (3) Pass 4S

Pass Pass Pass

1—Despite his long trump suit, South does not make a preemptive bid of three spades, for the opening one-bid accurately portrays his honour-trick holding.

2—Now, even with a minimum in honour-tricks, South jumps on trick to show his great playing strength. This bid is not forcing, but is a strong invitation to North to make some bid unless his hand is worthless.

3—With an Ace and a Queen, North is strong enough to show his club suit.

West, fearing to lead one of his tenace suits, or the club suit which had been bid by North, chose the spade ten as his opening lead. A trump from a worthless holding is often a very fine protective lead, to mark time and wait for the lead to come to your tenace holdings in other suits.

East won the first trick with the Ace of spades and returned the heart deuce. South's Queen and West's Ace were played; West continued with the heart Jack and South won and cleared trumps.

South now had a losing heart and a losing diamond; his only hope of making his contract, since he had lost two tricks already, was to find some entry to dummy to discard one of his losers. He therefore tried a deceptive play, first cashing the club King and then leading a low diamond toward the dummy. He hoped that West, if he held the Ace, would play low and wait for a future opportunity to capture the King. But West was equal to the occasion; he went up with his diamond Ace. Now South could no longer obtain entry to the dummy, and was eventually forced to lead his losing heart and allow East to win the setting trick.

If South had first led the diamond King, West would have taken exactly the opposite course in order to keep dummy out of the lead. He would have ducked, allowing the diamond King to win, and would have taken his Ace on the next round, killing dummy's Queen and consequently dummy's entry.

Why Zoo Okapi Died

A post-mortem examination on the Zoo Okapi showed that death, which took place on November 4, was due to a parasite causing cirrhosis of the liver.

BELGIAN EMIGRANTS
ON BICYCLES
INTEND TO SETTLE IN
THE CONGO

Paris.—A party of bicycling Belgians, who are on their way across Europe to the Belgian Congo to settle because they cannot find work at home, have reached the Pyrenees, but the Spanish authorities have forbidden their entry into Spanish territory.

There are 32 in the party comprising men, women and two children aged nine years. They planned to say a prayer at Lourdes before continuing their trip to Casablanca in Morocco, where they anticipate embarking for the Belgian Congo to found an agricultural settlement.

Their hopes, however, are likely to be dashed. The Belgian Minister of Colonies has disapproved of the plan, and warned the unemployed before they started that it was customary to ask 10,000 francs (roughly £130) of every immigrant into the Belgian Congo, as a guarantee of repatriation. When it was found that the group had ignored the warning, the Belgian Government advised the authorities in the countries which the cyclists intended to cross, that Belgium took no responsibility for the enterprise, and could not undertake to repatriate any of the party.—Reuter.

POPULAR "JOHN
BUCHAN"

New Play Liked By
Canadians

MORE SUPPLIES OF BOOKS
WANTED

Ottawa.—The British film version of "The Thirty-nine Steps," the thriller written by Canada's new Governor-general, Lord Tweedsmuir (John Buchan), has taken the country by storm.

Critics hail it as "the best picture of the year," notable for its suspense and subtle direction.

Canadian booksellers still report a tremendous demand for John Buchan's books and they have had to cable to England for more supplies.

THE PRESIDENT AND
SHIRLEY TEMPLE

Antographed Photo
Presented

Hollywood.—Shirley Temple is the very proud possessor of an antographed photograph of President Roosevelt which he has sent to her.

To Shirley from Franklin D. Roosevelt, is the inscription on the photograph, which shows the President seated at his desk.

It is something of an experience for Shirley to receive a photograph, though she herself sends hundreds every month to admirers all over the world.—Reuter.

FRENCH OFFICER
SENTENCED

Charge Of Spying
Proved

A former French Government commissioner of the Saar has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment and fined 2,000 francs at Metz on a charge of spying.

He is Robert Ritz, aged 28, of Sarrebruck. It was alleged against him, says Le Temps, that having squandered 60,000 francs paid to him for his work in the Saar, he attempted to recruit a service of spies among non-committed officers of the Metz garrison.—Reuter.

WYE-SALMON RECORD

No fewer than 5,119 Wye salmon have been caught by rod and line and 750 netted during the past year.

JOAN CRAWFORD
SAYS SHE LIKES
ENGLISHMEN

Denies Contrary
Rumour

ALWAYS BEEN KIND

Hollywood.—Recent reports that Miss Joan Crawford (now Mrs. Franchot Tone) denied rumours of her impending marriage with the remark: "They must have been started by some horrid Englishman" have produced a vigorous denial here from the actress's employers, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer company.

Studio officials asked Reuter to deny the statement attributed to Miss Crawford.

They quoted the actress as saying: "I said nothing of the sort. I like Englishmen. They've always been kind to me and I am most grateful to them."

Miss Crawford and her husband, who were married at Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, are spending their honeymoon in New York.—Reuter.

MAD MONK
CREATES A
WORK-OF-ART

Replica Of Picture
In Stamps

LABOUR OF 10 YEARS

A mentally deranged monk has created in the seclusion of his cell one of the most singular works of art.

Brother Karolus Stoss had made a replica of Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper" out of 12,000 postage stamps during the 10 years of enforced leisure in an Austrian monastery.

Brother Karolus was a teacher of drawing till he was seized with melancholia and conveyed to a cell in a lonely monastery.

12,000 Stamps
There he spent his life without speaking to a human being. But with infinite care he pasted alongside each other the 12,000 stamps he had collected.

He produced a fair likeness of the original by using the colour and shading of the stamps in extremely skilful manner.

Brother Karolus is now dead. His picture is exhibited in Vienna by the monastery.

SOME QUEER LAWS

Horses, Dead Cats And
Card Games

Des Moines, Iowa.—An inquisitive law student has been examining the laws of Iowa. It is against the law, he has found:

To play three card games on a train (immediate arrest by the guard)

To throw a dead cat in a pond (30 days or \$100)

To keep a horse in an apartment house. Under another section of the law the last prohibition is also extended to goats, chickens, geese and ducks.—Reuter.

DESERT CAR CRASH

Two large tourist cars collided when travelling at a high speed about 25 miles from Agadir recently. One passenger was killed and seven were injured.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.s).

JAZZ RECITAL BY HARMONY BOYS FROM STUDIO

12.15-2.30 p.m.—European Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

2.30 p.m.—Close Down

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

7 p.m.—12 midnight.—European Programme.

7-1.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.

Bandstands—Pianist for Strings (de la Riviere).

I want your heart (Haydn Wood).

Delibes in Vienna (arr. Walter).

Bird Songs at Eveside (Edie Costes).

Gipsy Moon (Bourgeois).

2.30-3 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Jazz Recital by "The Harmony Boys."

3 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

3.15-5.15 p.m.—"Hitch Hike" played and sung by Leslie Hutchinson.

5.15-5.30 p.m.—A Relay from Davenport.

"Christmas Caravan." A sleek and sophisticated surprise show, produced by Cecil Madden.

9-11.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

11.30-1.30 p.m.—Tunes from the film "Top Hat."

1. No Strings.

2. Isn't this a Lovely Day?

3. Top Hat, White Tie and Tails.

4. Check to Check.

9.30-10.30 p.m.—From the Studio.

Professor N. A. Tonoff and his Concert Orchestra.

Programme "Sacred Songs"

1. Nazareth—Gordon.

2. Aile tun G—Gordon.

3. Silent Night—Gordon.

4. Ave Maria—Gordon.

5. O Holy Night—Adam.

6. O Little town of Bethlehem—Reuter.

7. We three Kings of Orient are—Hopkins.

8. Adagio Fideles—Reading.

9. Holy Spirit, Light Divine—Gottschalk.

10. It came upon the midnight clear—Willa.

10 p.m.—Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

10.30 p.m.—12 midnight.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra

12 midnight—Close Down.

COUNCIL APOLOGISES

Amersham District Council has apologised to Chalfont St. Giles Parish Council for not consulting it before approving plans for an aerodrome at Chalfont.

spirit of liberality and forgiveness, becomes a living issue again in the dramatic conflict of "Way Down East."

Adapted from the play which through years has grown to the position of America's greatest melodrama, the picture stars Rochelle Hudson and Henry Fonda, with Slim Sumnersville, Edward Trevor, Margaret Hamilton and Andy Devine in the chief supporting roles.

"GOLD DIGGER OF 1935"—
STAR THEATRE

Another lavish spectacle, "Gold Diggers of 1935," is offered to patrons of the Star Theatre. Produced on an even grander scale than its predecessors, this First Fazezda, William Garzan, George Barbier, Grant Mitchell, and Ted Fiorito and his band playing "the sweetest music this side of heaven." Among the new songs are "Rose in Her Hair," and "Lonely Gondolier."

"SHE"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

H. Rider Haggard's amazing novel of a strange African tribe, ruled by an even stranger woman, comes to the Majestic Theatre to-day as a film.

It proves to be one of the best thrillers of the year, and has the additional advantage of being almost credulous. Randolph Scott and Helen Cabarré are cast as the two lovers who stumble upon the queer kingdom.

Way Down East
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

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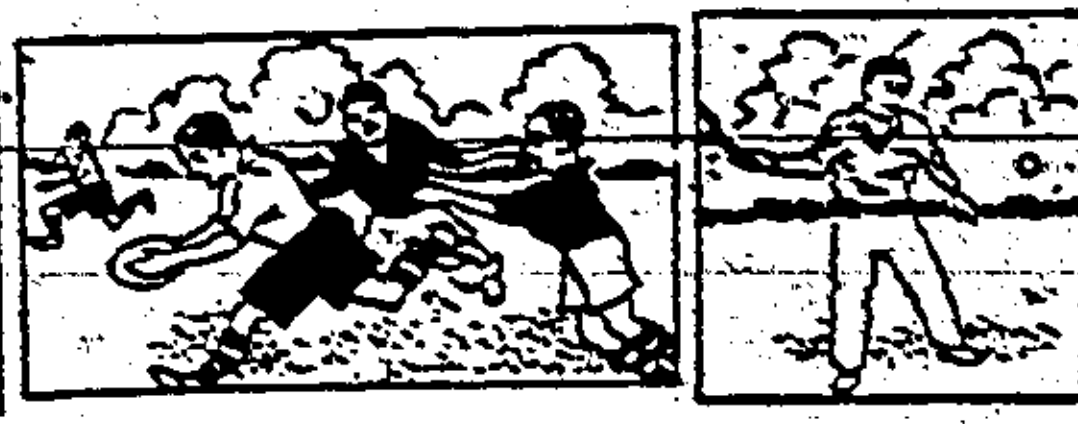
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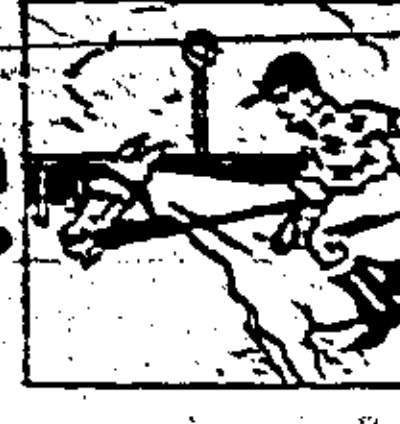
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Sporting Page



LEE WAI TONG HELD BY GORMAN, BUT CHINA BEAT SCOTLAND

NAVAL ARSENAL AND UNDERWATER ARABS DRAW

Soccer "Battle" In Kowloon

DOCKYARD PROVIDE GOOD XMAS FARE

The annual soccer match between the Naval Yard European Staff and the Submarine Engineer Room Artificers was played yesterday morning on the ground of the Kowloon Football Club before a plentiful and decidedly enthusiastic gathering, and resulted in a draw, each side scoring twice.

With the aid of a very astute referee, (Mr. A.E.C. Clark) and two equally astute and frolicsome linesmen, the game went with a swing throughout and a draw was considered a very fitting result for this type of "blood" match.

Special mention must be made of Stoker Petty Officer McCue (one of the linesmen) for the part he played for the Subs. He ably assisted Hoggett, by taking most of the corner kicks for him. Hoggett, meantime, standing half a dozen yards away (sometimes only four) to intercept his colleague's pass.

Sometimes McCue wasn't on the line at all, this being due to the fact that there is a very nice little "house" on the Kowloon Club ground!

Stephens and Marsh had the distinction of scoring for the Arsenal, Kilpatrick and Brunton for the Arabs. Both goalkeepers are to be congratulated on the many miraculous saves they made. Spike Colver being particularly brilliant.

Paintonville Pivot

Edwards, (late of Paintonville Decorators) did well in the pivot position of the Arsenal team, and Sui Bravery, the opposing centre forward, the old Townsend Haricot star, bit the dust in nine out of ten of their encounters.

Crash Jennings, Flash Etheridge, and Tipster Shepherd formed a forceful half-back line for the Arabs, so much so, that they often left their own forwards standing. It was good to see Randall back in the Arsenal team. Princetown Old Boys will miss him sadly. The manner in which he occasionally outstripped Jake King proved that the standard of training in his late team must be of the highest order.

Sissons (Arsenal) played his usual steady game and Hoggett could do little against him, even with the help of McCue and his flag.

Good Standard

The general standard of the football was good considering that this was a Festival game, and the fitness with which the players returned to the dressing room left an impression that the good things of Christmas were yet to come.

Mr. P. Coombes, the organiser of this great soccer attraction and the selection committees of both teams left no stone unturned in their efforts to make the game the success that it was.

Naval Arsenal—Wilson (Various Veins); Sainsbury (Bengal Camel Corps, Chatham Division) and Hickman (Cooners Ashmole); Chuter (High Volta De Pumps); Edwards (Paintonville Decorators); and Sissons (Pompey Paralytic); Chandler (Strada Casars), Randall (Princetown Old Boys), Elliott (Tugboat Amnioteds), Stephen (Sheepy Apolectic) and March (Turic Town Squanderers).

Underwater Arabs—Spike Colver (Old Cosmos), Jake King (Old Japan and Ocean's Head) and Major Jackson (Old Wanchow); Crash Jennings (Marcel and Old Jordan Road), Flash Etheridge (Old Lidoians and Happy Valley); Tinster Shepherd (Old Cosmos and Monor Kok Street); Mo. Kilpatrick (Yammat Springbox); Snake Brunton (Old Loupe Lizards); Sui Bravery (Townsend Haricot); Checkfield (Radio Dinted); and Ah Hoggett (United Otels and Shipps).



EASY WIN FOR ARMY

Garthwaite In Form With Ball

NAVY COLLAPSE IN SECOND INNINGS

The Army have drawn first blood in the annual Triangular Cricket Tournament, beating the Navy in a two-day match on the Club ground (Monday and Tuesday) by five wickets, thus repeating their performance of last year.

The scores were:—
Navy, 1st innings: 147 for 8 (declared).
Army, 1st innings: 249 for 8 (declared).

NAVY—2nd Inn.
Lieut. Bardley, b Garthwaite ... 4
Lieut. Miers, b Garthwaite ... 0
Lieut. Baker, b Ballard ... 16
Lieut. Branwell, b Garthwaite ... 13
Lieut. Holland Martin, c Johnson, b Garthwaite ... 35
Lieut. Hunting, c Elvin, b Garthwaite ... 5
Sub. Lieut. Wraith, b Garthwaite ... 18
Surg. Lieut. Kirkwood, b Elvin ... 27
Surg. Lieut. Davenport, b Garthwaite ... 0
Tel. Tufnell, lb. b Elvin ... 0
A. R. Dale, not out ... 0
Extras ... 13

Bowling Analysis
Garthwaite ... O. M. R. W.
Ballard ... 15.1 0 48 7
King ... 11 2 38 1
Elvin ... 2 0 9 0
Total (for 5 wks.) ... 29

ARMY—2nd Inn.
Pte. Herbert, b Dale ... 4
Pte. King, c Tufnell, b Hunting ... 12
C.S.M. Elvin, not out ... 2
Capt. Persse, lb. b Tufnell ... 9
Lieut. Johnson, b Tufnell ... 3
Major Bonavia, not out ... 8
Extras ... 1

Bowling Analysis
Hunting ... O. M. R. W.
Dale ... 2 0 7 1
Tufnell ... 4 1 13 1
Total ... 23 2 8 3



LEAGUE CRICKET

Indians To Meet Civil Service

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 1st XI in a League cricket match against the Civil Service next Saturday, at 2 p.m., at Sookmoo:

P. D. Pereira (Capt.), S. A. Ismail, A. R. Mader, A. E. Mian, S. Sultani, M. P. Mader, A. E. Abbas, K. Nazir, M. el Arulli, Y. el Arulli and A. R. Kitchell.

NEW YEAR'S DAY CRICKET

Annual University Fixture

The annual fixture between the University. Past and Present on New Year's Day will commence at 11 a.m. on the University Cricket ground at Pokfulam. The following will represent the Past:—
F. L. Zimmerman, S. V. Githin, T. Z. Yoon, J. L. Youm, A. Baker, Dr. C. W. Lam, Dr. F. Hopton, D. Hunt, W. Hong, Sling, E. Zimmerman and F. E. Zimmerman.

CAPACITY CROWD REWARDED WITH MEDIOCRE GAME

RODGER MAKES SPECTACULAR SAVES IN VAIN EFFORT TO SAVE SIDE

WONG MEE-SHUN SHOWS IMPROVED FORM

(By "ROVER")

IN accordance with general expectations, China entered the final of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup at the Club ground yesterday, defeating Scotland by two goals without reply.

The ground was filled to capacity by a holiday crowd, but the football served up was markedly poor, developing in the latter stages into almost a cat-and-dog fight!

Scotland put up a tremendously plucky show against a superior team, and fully deserved to be on level terms at the interval. Undergoing severe pressure in the first 10 minutes, the Scottish defence, composed of Rodger, Blackburn and Hill, checked and cleared every thrust of the Chinese, and one of the biggest features of the game was the remarkable lapse in form of Lee Wai-tong, due in no small measure to the fine display of Gorman, the Scottish centre-half.

Rodger was constantly in the limelight, fielding shots from everywhere in his so capable manner, and it was sheer bad luck that prevented him stopping the first goal.

In Gilchrist, Gorman and McKnight, Scotland had three hardworking halves, whose only fault was their inability to feed their forwards accurately, through over-kicking.

The attack was far from brilliant, but none the less effective in their swift approach movements, and it took Mak Sui-hon and Tam Kong-pak all their time to keep their lines clear. McLeavey was the best forward they had, being very fast and true with his centres, and going very close to scoring on two or three occasions.



R. Marques, above, Portugal's custodian, will probably be kept on his toes throughout this afternoon's match against the Welsh team.

Howlett did great work behind the attack, and with a bustling and more active centre-forward his well-worked moves would have been put to better advantage. As it was D. Knox, although a good trier, failed to make the most of the chances afforded him, and seemed very easy to dispossess of the ball.

The Chinese were knocked right off their normal game by the rough-and-ready tactics of their opponents, and it was on very rare occasions that one saw anything like the football they are so capable of.

Long-Range Shooting

With Lee Wai-tong off colour (he was almost a passenger during the second period) it was left to Fung and Cheuk Shek-kam to force the pace, and with the fine support given them by the halves, they adopted quick-passing methods and long-range shooting that kept Rodger constantly on the alert for surprise shots.

Wong Mee-shun seemed to fall right into the run of the play, and gave a greatly improved performance, being for the most part, a sixth forward.

The defence was featured by some powerful first-time kicking on the part of Mak Sui-hon and Tam Kong-pak, though the latter indulged in a lot of unnecessary and wild punting to touch during the last 10 minutes that called for reproof from the referee.

Lee Wai-tong won the toss, and Rodger was quickly in action, saving in brilliant style from a combined rush by the Chinese forwards.

Magnificent Save

A minute later, Lee secured in midfield and worked the ball out to the left corner-flag before passing to Cheuk Shek-kam, who fired in a first-time drive that brought Rodger full length in a magnificent save.

During these opening exchanges, China attacked furiously, and it was clear that they were bent on establishing an early lead, but they reckoned without Blackburn and Hill, and the Scottish defence.

SAPPERS' SOCCER WIN

The Royal Engineers acquitted themselves very creditably in their Junior Shield replay (second round) last Tuesday when they beat the Royal Air Force by four goals to nil. Howlett and Darby each scored two goals.



Gorman, above, gave a wonderful display in Scotland's centre-half position yesterday, and for the first time this season rendered Lee Wai-tong helpless.

THE SHORTER GOLF BALL AND THE PLAYERS

EXTRAORDINARY INTEREST

WHAT NEW BALL WILL PROBABLY DO!

(By "FAIR FIELD")

London, November 22. Extraordinary interest and not a little misunderstanding have arisen from the golf match to be played on December 8—probably at Addington—with a new and shorter travelling type of ball.

The team to play the Combined Universities will consist of eight amateurs, Miss Joyce Wethered and Miss Molly Gourlay, and two professionals.

Both sides will play with the new ball. Although the people who have ever used this ball could be numbered on the fingers of two hands, the critics are already busy working the handicap player up to a furious resentment at the possible loss of length.

No Need For Worry

There is no need for worry. One of the effects of the shorter ball when it comes—as must some day happen—will be to counteract loss of length to a large extent by abolishing the tedious walks to far distant back tees.

Later on in the year it is hoped to arrange a match between players representing handicaps from ten upwards, so that every type of golfer may have an opportunity of judging the matter for himself.

S. AFRICAN SOCCER PLAYERS LABELLED

Retiring President Calls For Special Inquiry

Johannesburg, November 20.

Mr. L. L. French, retiring president of the South African Football Association, calls for an inquiry into the allegations that some of the footballers who played against the Combined Services on their recent tour of South Africa received unauthorised payments.

He says: "I consider this insulting to the good name and character of our players, and respectfully request that all expense vouchers submitted to the Association by players and officials in connection with the tour should be examined by a firm of auditors and a report published."

CHELSEA'S NEW WINGER

Chelsea recently signed as a professional one of the most promising juniors in Scotland, David Baxter Alexander, an outside left, aged 18, from Clydebank Juniors. Numerous clubs have endeavoured recently to sign this player. He was born at Hamilton, stands 5ft. 3in. and weighs 10st. 4lb.

(Continued from Column 2)

Portugal—2. Marques (Recrolo); A. V. Gosano (Recrolo) and V. Costa (St. Joseph's), N. Delgado (Recrolo), N. Beltrao (Recrolo), J. Elms (St. Joseph's), T. Castilho (Recrolo), A. Ward (St. Joseph's), E. Gosano (Recrolo), J. Gomes (Recrolo) and A. Alves (Recrolo).

ARTILLERY OFFICERS IN HOCKEY GAME

Draw Between British And Indian Teams

XMAS FEELING NOT LACKING

A good game of hockey was seen on the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, yesterday morning, when the British Officers of the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade played the Indian Officers of the same unit, the result being a draw of four goals all.

Looking at the field from a distant hill top, one might have supposed that a Hunt meet was about to take place, for when the participants took the field, there were shirts of red, shorts of white, and a few 'toppers' here and there, besides other kinds of headdress. Undoubtedly the Christmas feeling was not lacking and the sharing of the spoils as the result was most appropriate.

The goals were scored by Lieut. Ravenhill, Capt. Morris-Jones, Lieut. Ramis and Major Yale for the British Officers, and Subedar Jagot Singh (2), Subedar Major Waris Khan, Subedar Hazar Khan for the Indian Officers.

The Pipe Band of the Brigade provided very pleasant music. Colonel Wilson umpired the game.

British Officers—Lieut. Garthwaite, Lieut. Metcalf, Capt. Parkes, Capt. Ravenhill, Lieut. Glose, Capt. Rybot, Capt. Morris-Jones, Capt. Low, Lieut. Ramis, Major Yale and Lieut. Bonavia.

Indian Officers—Jemadar Saw An Singh, Subedar Amek Singh, Major Bar Khan, Subedar Mudd Shah, Subedar Hazar Khan, Jemadar Sultan Bux, Jemadar Abdul Rahman, Subedar Major Waris Khan, Subedar Jagot Singh, Jemadar Kafar Ali and Jemadar Mudd Ali.



ARMY TO MEET NAVY

Triangular Hockey Tournament

The return match between the Army and the Navy in the Triangular Hockey Tournament will be held next Monday, at 3.45 p.m. on the Marina ground.

An Army practice game will be held to-morrow at 3.45 p.m. on the Marina ground.

The Army team is as follows: Pte. Hollingsworth (Lincolns); Sep. Khan Bahadur (8/Punjab Reg.), Lieut. Roister (Lincolns); Lieut. Williams (East-Lancs); or Hav. Della Singh (Punjab); Hav. Della Singh or Lieut. Williams; N. Alaf Din (Punjab); N. Khuda Baksh (H.K.S.R.A.); Lieut. Garthwaite (H.K.S.R.A.); W. O. Senior (A.E.C. and R.A.S.C.); Pte. Taylor (Lincolns) and L/Nk. Lal Singh (8/Punjab Regiment).

Reserves—Sargeant Quantrell (R. E.), L/Cpl. Yeomans (Lincolns), Lieut. Robinson (East-Lancs.) and Lieut. Dawson (East-Lancs.).

CLUB TEAM FOR ARMY MATCH

A. C. Beck To Play

The following will represent the Club in the Triangular Tournament against the Army to-day and Saturday:

A. W. Hayward (Capt.), A. C. Beck, G. E. E. Divett, E. B. Duckitt, G. S. Dumkley, L. D. Kilbee, I. Mo-Innes, H. Owen, Hughes, T. A. Pearce, T. E. Pearce and G. A. Stewart.

Play will commence at 11 a.m. on each day.

CLUB HOCKEY TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club second eleven against the H.K.S.R.A. at King's Park to-morrow at 5 p.m.:

Van der Waal; A. Tate, E. H. D. Lane; A. N. Other, E. G. Dale, W. C. Shawar; H. E. A. Wood, L. D. Kilbee, A. A. E. Botelho, A. N. Other and A. J. Benoit.

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SOME MANAGERS ARE
AFRAID TO TALK
SOCCER HAS ITS SECRET
SERVICE TOO

HOW THE SCOUTS WORK

(By W. R. G. SMITH)

London, November 24.

IT was only a minor village match in an unfrequented corner of Hertfordshire — there could not have been more than twenty spectators on the touchline — yet, standing by himself near one of the goals, I spotted a familiar bowler-hatted figure.

I have seen him at most of the First Division grounds and several times in the manager's office of a famous London Club. He is one of football's secret service — the agents employed by professional clubs all over England and Scotland to scout and spy for players.

No class of football is too small for these agents. They travel to the most remote spots in search of new talent. They are not only concerned with young and unknown players. It is their duty to find out all they can about players who may be useful to their clubs.

Some clubs use directors or former players as their scouts. But the great body of Soccer's secret service are men who would never be suspected of the slightest interest in spotting players.

Once it gets known that the scouts are reporting on a player the price on his head goes up.

The good football scout transmits the fullest details of a fancied

player. It is not enough to describe his style and to give height and weight.

I know a scout who, when he recommends a player as a footballer, is also required to state:

Whether the man smokes or drinks;

What his home life is like; If he is married or single; What religion he professes; and

WHY PETER O'DOWD LEFT
ENGLISH SOCCERDid Not Agree On Pivots
Duties in Team

London, November 20.
It is understood that Peter O'Dowd, the Chelsea and England half-back, left English football because he declined to accept the idea that a centre half-back is a pivot duty policeman. Here are an eminent French critic's remarks on O'Dowd, who now plays for the Valenciennes team:
"O'Dowd is too much of an artist for English football... that's why it lost him."
Which is probably quite right.

If there is anything whatever against his character.

\$5 A Week

The rules of football do not allow a League club player to be approached without the consent of his club. There are heavy penalties for breaking this rule, but it is no secret that famous players are "tapped."

What is a scout's job worth? What compensation does he get for these long journeys and hours spent on bleak football grounds?

There are one or two cases where chief scouts employed by famous and wealthy clubs are on salary all the year round. But don't believe the £1,000 a year stories.

The majority of scouts are employed on a seasonal basis. The good one gets \$5 a week and expenses. The general average is about \$3 a week.

A big club has perhaps ten of these men on its books. They each have a different area to cover, but, even so, their acreage is tremendous.

Poor Clubs' Handicap

The poorer clubs cannot afford scouts, and the managers have to do the work. They are handicapped, because they are known and find it almost impossible to keep their investigations secret.

This football espionage system has developed to such an extent that managers of top-rank clubs have to be more careful than Cabinet Ministers.

A famous manager told me the other day that he was almost frightened to speak in strange company. He was negotiating for a player, and happened to say something—quite discreet—during his inquiries. Next day he read that the player had signed for another club!

Six Home Winners

Leicester Halifax
Tottenham Tranmere
Aberdeen Rangers

Four Away Winners

Celtic Manchester C.
Dunfermline Mansfield

Three Draws

Lords v Stoke
Bournemouth v Southend
Luton v Clapton

HOME SOCCER
MARKSMENThree Players On
Level Terms

London, November 25.
Carter (Sunderland) shares with Cheetham (Queen's P.R.) and Dawes (Crystal P.) the leadership in the League goal-scoring lists.

The following is the latest list:

DIVISION I	
Carter (Sunderland)	18
Cannell (Middlesbrough)	12
Rickett (Middlesbrough)	12
Richardson W. G. (W.B.A.)	12
Lythgoe (Huddersfield)	11
Drake (Aston)	11
Glover (Grimby)	11
Howe (Liverpool)	11
DIVISION II	
Morrison (Spurs)	16
Mangnall (West Ham)	12
Dodds (Sheffield Utd.)	12
Prescott (Notts Forest)	12
Allen (Charlton)	11
Finan (Blackpool)	11
Vinall (Norwich)	11
DIVISION III (South)	
Cheetham (Q.P.R.)	18
Dawes (Crystal Palace)	12
Leighton (Coventry)	12
Riley (Bournemouth)	12
Crawford (Clapton O.)	11
DIVISION III (North)	
Hill (Tranmere)	17
Dawds (Chesterfield)	12
Walsh (Oldham)	12
Williams (Chester)	12
Dickinson (Bolton)	12
Compton (Sheff. Wed.)	12
Valentine (Hallifax)	12

FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE
Comprehensive Table Shows
Form At A Glance

A COMPREHENSIVE guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football Leagues and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they have fared in their last five matches (excluding the results to be found on Page 1) are given.

The letters W, L and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn, respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figure in brackets denotes the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division

		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
Southend (2)	WWW	20	10	0	33	9	12	5	4	2	23
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Southend (2)	WWW	20	10	0	33	9	12	5	4	2	23
Southend (2)	WWW	20	10	0	33	9	12	5	4	2	23
Southend (2)	WWW	20	10	0	33	9	12	5	4	2	23

Second Division

		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
Nottingham (1)	WWW	20	10	0	27	7	18	10	4	5	14
Nottingham (1)	WWW	20	10	0	27	7	18	10	4	5	14
Nottingham (1)	WWW	20	10	0	27	7	18	10	4	5	14
Nottingham (1)	WWW	20	10	0	27	7	18	10	4	5	14
Nottingham (1)	WWW	20	10	0	27	7	18	10	4	5	14

Third Division (South)

		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
Reading (2)	WWW	18	8	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Reading (2)	WWW	18	8	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Reading (2)	WWW	18	8	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Reading (2)	WWW	18	8	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Reading (2)	WWW	18	8	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19

Third Division (North)

		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
Tranmere (6)	WWW	18	10	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Tranmere (6)	WWW	18	10	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Tranmere (6)	WWW	18	10	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Tranmere (6)	WWW	18	10	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19
Tranmere (6)	WWW	18	10	0	21	7	16	10	5	0	19

Scottish League

		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
Aberdeen (5)	WWW	22	11	11	0	62	6	22	11	7	2
Aberdeen (5)	WWW	22	11	11	0	62	6	22	11	7	2
Aberdeen (5)	WWW	22	11	11	0	62	6	22	11	7	2
Aberdeen (5)	WWW	22	11	11	0	62	6	22	11	7	2
Aberdeen (5)	WWW	22	11	11	0	62	6	22	11	7	2

Interesting Statistics

Only four teams have 100 per cent. home records—Sunderland, Reading, Coventry, and Aberdeen.

In addition to the above four, nine teams have "yet to be beaten" at home—Barnsley, Blackpool, Bolton, Burnley, Charlton, Bradford, Tranmere, Gillingham, and Notts Forest.

CRYSTAL PALACE HAVE NEW CHAIRMAN

Mr. Carey L. Burnett has been elected chairman of Crystal Palace F.C. in succession to the late Mr. R. S. Flew.



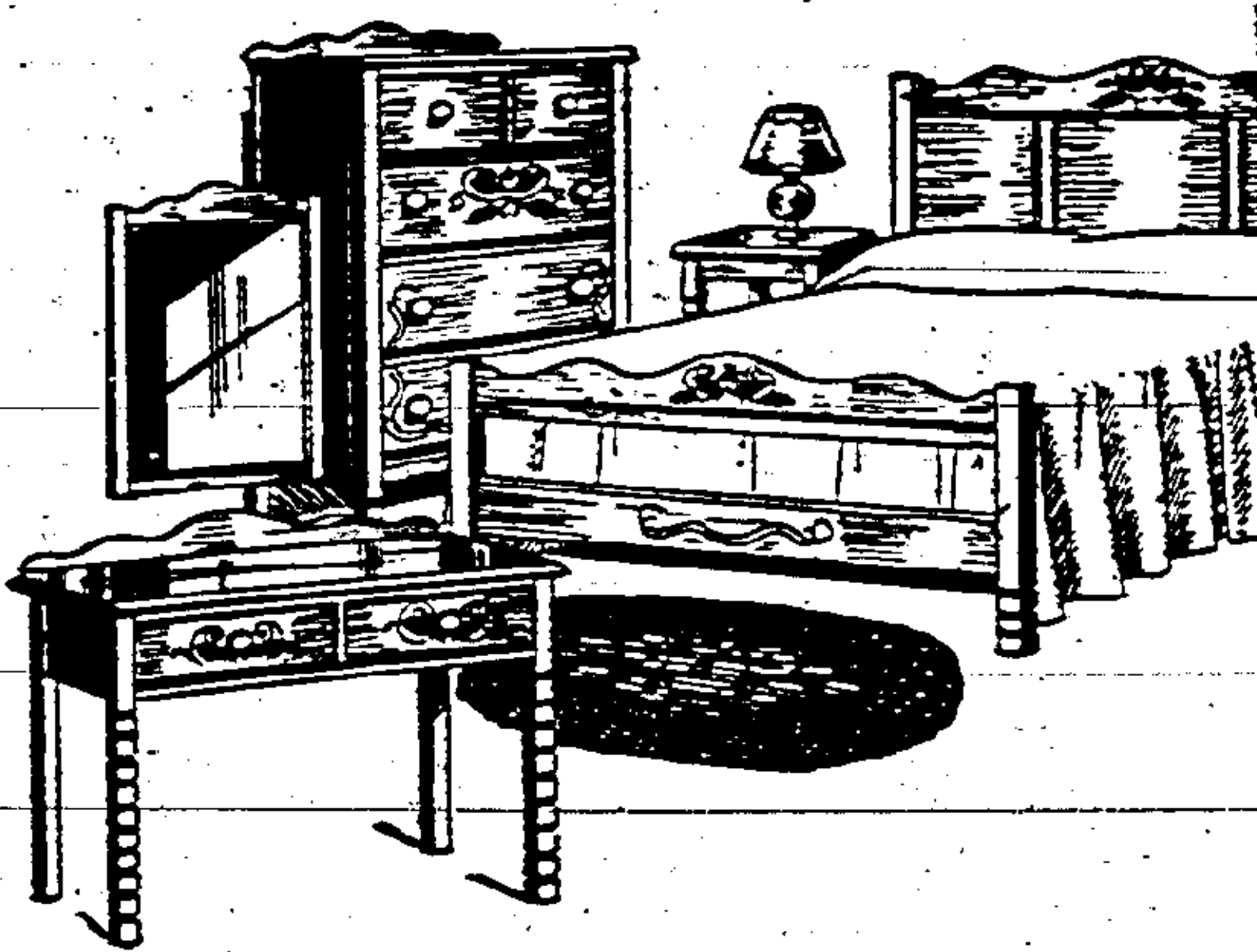
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Peace On Earth

The story of Pandora is a pagan legend, but it is unfortunately always appropriate to our human affairs. Pandora was a lady who had a big box in which all manner of good motives, with their gifts of prosperity and happiness, were locked up, together with sundry defects of character that bring misery and strife in the bottom of the box. When our wayward race was by way of being born she opened the box and out flew all the virtues and joys. But she kept it open too long and gave a chance for all the contrary qualities to take flight also. Hence there is no laughter that has not a background of tears, and no crusade that does not lose itself on the way to the New Jerusalem, just as the old crusades did.

"Peace on Earth to men of Goodwill." Has there been any year intervening that has not either seen one set of men killing another, or at least preparing to do so? For it is a sad fact that it is impossible to take for granted that all men are men of Good Will. What are we to do with the men of Bad Will? That is the actual problem that gives work to all our reformers in private life and our statesmen in public life. Take out of our national expenditure all the votes for Police, Army and Navy and Air Forces, and what a fund there would be to make distressed people happy, and give a better cheer to the lonely!

At the moment the question being discussed is whether the Dictator of Italy will perpetrate "a mad dog act" by challenging the rest of Christendom to a duel for the right to fight. It would practically be a duel for at least the first few days of the New Year, till France was ready to take part. The planes will be scouting about, and wireless messages flitting through the air during the whole of what we call the "festive season," and every warship in the Mediterranean will be ready to weigh anchor at a moment's notice.

The irony of the situation is that if the "mad dog" would be fighting for the right to fight, the other combatants would be fighting for the right to live in peace. The cynic says that no such effort would be undertaken for merely altruistic motives. To which the answer made has been that there is no hypocrisy about it, that the stoppage of war is enlightened self-interest. That is perfectly true, and the standard of enlightenment does not need to be very high to appreciate the truth. But very few people are willing to take laborious action for the sake of anything, but their most immediate interests, and nothing very substantial will be gained unless there are strong and simple ideals to be fought for. We must make it clear that this struggle is not only to stop waste, but to see that what is saved will be used for those who are most in need of help. The stirring events of the last ten days have revealed that the ordinary man who pays the piper in every State has made up his mind to watch his own Government, and to see that it dances to their tune. The new diplomacy has joined the old under a cloud of suspicion. After a long period of spathy due to the fact that nobody could see any difference between the results of the two methods, the people have str-

EXPLANATION OF TUESDAY'S CARTOON

WEST POINT GIRL

UNDER prevailing regulations, a son of a commissioned officer killed in war, is entitled to an appointment to either of the nation's training schools—West Point or Annapolis—exclusively masculine. Yet Miss Sidney Edwards of Newport News, Va., received appointments to both schools. Authorities just supposed that "Sidney" was a boy and granted the appointments without question. Miss Edwards' father, Lieut. John D. Edwards, was killed during the World War when his destroyer collided with the Aquatania in the English Channel.

Topsails Are Not Top Sails

SUCH rigging terms as flying jib, mizzen royal, crossjack, spanker and topsail, mean little to the uninitiated and the land-lubber, except that it does seem the topsail should be on top. However, on a full-rigged ship the sails second from the deck are the topsails, with four other sails above them. On the main mast, for instance, the real top sail is the main skysail, next the main royal, then the topgallant, upper topsail, lower topsail and mainsail.

CAR WITH TWO ENGINES

New Production In Hamburg

Berlin: A motor-car fitted with two engines so that either the front wheels, the back wheels or both sets may be used to drive it forward, has been built at a factory in Hamburg.

The system, it is claimed, makes the car extremely useful on uneven ground, for if one pair of wheels loses its grip or gets stuck the power can be transferred to the other pair.

In addition, all four wheels are steered simultaneously so that very sharp corners can be taken with ease. The engines are each of 19 h.p.—Reuter.

red suddenly in one of those waves of resolve which cannot be neglected by any Government without calamity.

During the days of enthusiasm for the first establishment of a League of Nations General Smuts said in the course of a famous speech that no League could be successfully worked unless it included Germany on terms of equality—how much failure would have been avoided if that advice had been accepted!—that "humanity has struck its tents, and is once more on the march." That hope seemed to have been added to the good intentions that have provided, paving to the broad road down which all the nations have preferred to march because a highway does not interfere with military precision, and makes it possible to march abreast.

One can hardly hope that so great a victory for human life as a sudden and unanimous move to stop a war carried on by one of big nations will be won. It is only those who have little imagination that do not see how it would start the heavy stone running down on the right side of the hill instead of the wrong. But it is quite certain that it will not be won without both wisdom and courage. And there must also be promptitude. The Governments have no reserve of confidence to draw upon—in fact they are deeply distrustful, and delay will do nothing but give opportunities for the cynics to sow more distrust. It is not possible to explain reasons for delay in a way that will ever carry confidence. There must be strenuous action, and a stoppage of the war, or else the people will merely believe that there is collusion. After the war has been stopped let there be a fair and just settlement by all means. There need then be no hurry. What is wanted is that the fighting must not be allowed to create new claims, and that the membership of the League of Peace will give genuine protection.

Here There and Everywhere.

CLEAN AIR TO COMBAT GAS

Serious attention has been given by the Air Raids Precautions Department of the London Home Office to the use of air conditioning plant to counteract the effects of poison gas during raids, particularly in the case of staffs in big buildings.

A building completely sealed from outside air, but with its own internal atmosphere cleansed periodically, would offer the protection of a vast gas mask.

Wing-Commander F. J. Hodson, head of the Air Raids Precautions Department, said that the installation of a filtering system to purify the air in large buildings would simplify the fight against gas.

COMPLETE INSULATION

Poison gas, a chemist pointed out, is an extreme case of air pollution, and the remedy for air pollution is air-conditioning.

A factory or building could be completely insulated from the outer atmosphere, except for doors, and air pumped in and removed through a special outlet. An extractor containing bleaching powder could remove large quantities of mustard gas or lewisite.

Occupants of buildings conditioned in this way could carry on their usual work during a raid, and public buildings so treated could be available as shelters.

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Obedience
An Irish recruit in one of the riding schools had the misfortune to part company with his horse. According to custom, he demanded: "Did you receive orders to dismount?"

"I did, sir."

"Where from?"

"From hindquarters," said Paddy.

The Acme of Fish Stories
"Last month I was in Sweden and caught a giant fish. It was so big that they could not take it into the boat."

"That happened to me when I went to New York on the Normandie."

ETERNAL SPIRIT OF CHINESE ART

SECRETS OF PAINTERS IN PAST CENTURIES

REAL SPIRIT OF COUNTRY FINDS DIRECT EXPRESSION

(By T. W. Earp)

WHEN our eighteenth-century ancestors were swept by a Chinese vogue it was a craze compounded of travellers' tales and porcelain. Accounts of voyages to China were the best-sellers of the day, and eager readers reinforced their conception of the distant land from the quaint figures and scenes blooming on newly imported tea-service and vase.

They built up a delightful but incorrect idea of it as an Oriental Lilliput without a soul, which satisfied their cult of the curious and had the attraction of opposites.

The treasures of Chinese painting, in which the real spirit of the country found direct expression, were unknown to them. And this perhaps was fortunate, for it left their fantasy undisturbed, while they were not ready for the deeper message.

Time's Lesson

Then the Romantic Movement broke the prevailing mould of taste. Poet and artist rebelled against a culture founded on imitation of the Greek and Latin classics. They turned to nature instead, and Wordsworth, though he knew it not, voiced an attitude which is also evident in the work of the great Chinese landscape painters. His poetry, telling of the spiritual comfort that he drew from the wild scenery of the Lake District, is a key to their inspiration and an excellent introduction to their art.

Difficulties, too, that the methods of Chinese painting would once have presented, with its absence of rounded solidity, of shading and perspective, have gradually been smoothed away.

The barrier of oddity began to grow less when Turner brought a new kind of directness into Western art. Since then a great deal of our modern painting, as far as its technical side is concerned, has approached nearer to the way in which the Chinese handled their subjects. It may be said that time has prepared us, both in motion and practice, to appreciate the exhibition at Burlington House.

Fairytale World

Yet to begin at the beginning of Chinese art-history is to lose hold

upon reality and plunge at once into a world of fairy-tale. It is known that painting on silk and paper, and wall-painting in fresco, not only existed—but reached a high accomplishment during the Han dynasty and the so-called Six Dynasties following, a period from two centuries before Christ to the start of the seventh century. But works surviving from this epoch are very rare, while contemporary references to them are obscured by a bewildering cloud of legend.

Thus we hear of a picture of this summer sky that made people feel hot, and one of the north wind that made them cold, and of those ill with fever being cured by paintings of temperate landscapes.

There are stories of painted dragons, attracting rain clouds during drought, of painted fish used satisfactorily as bait for others, or swimming away from their silk panel when dipped in a stream. A painter badly received at a temple where he sought a night's lodging, drew a donkey on the wall; the next morning the furniture of the temple was found kicked to pieces.

Carried To Extremes

One artist carried his skill to extremes. In the Emperor's presence he painted a vast landscape, and on clapping his hands the gateway of a cave in the picture suddenly opened. He walked into it and beckoned the Emperor to follow, but the gate closed before the monarch could move. The whole scene then faded from the wall, and the painter was never seen again.

For this event, as for the others, the names and dates of the wonder-working artists are only recorded, though all specimens of their talent have disappeared. It is disappointing that sceptics see in these tales no more than the early historians' manner of stating that the art of their time was extraordinarily successful in giving the illusion of real life.

Six Cases

At any rate Hsieh Ho, an artist at the end of the fifth century, had already laid down the aims

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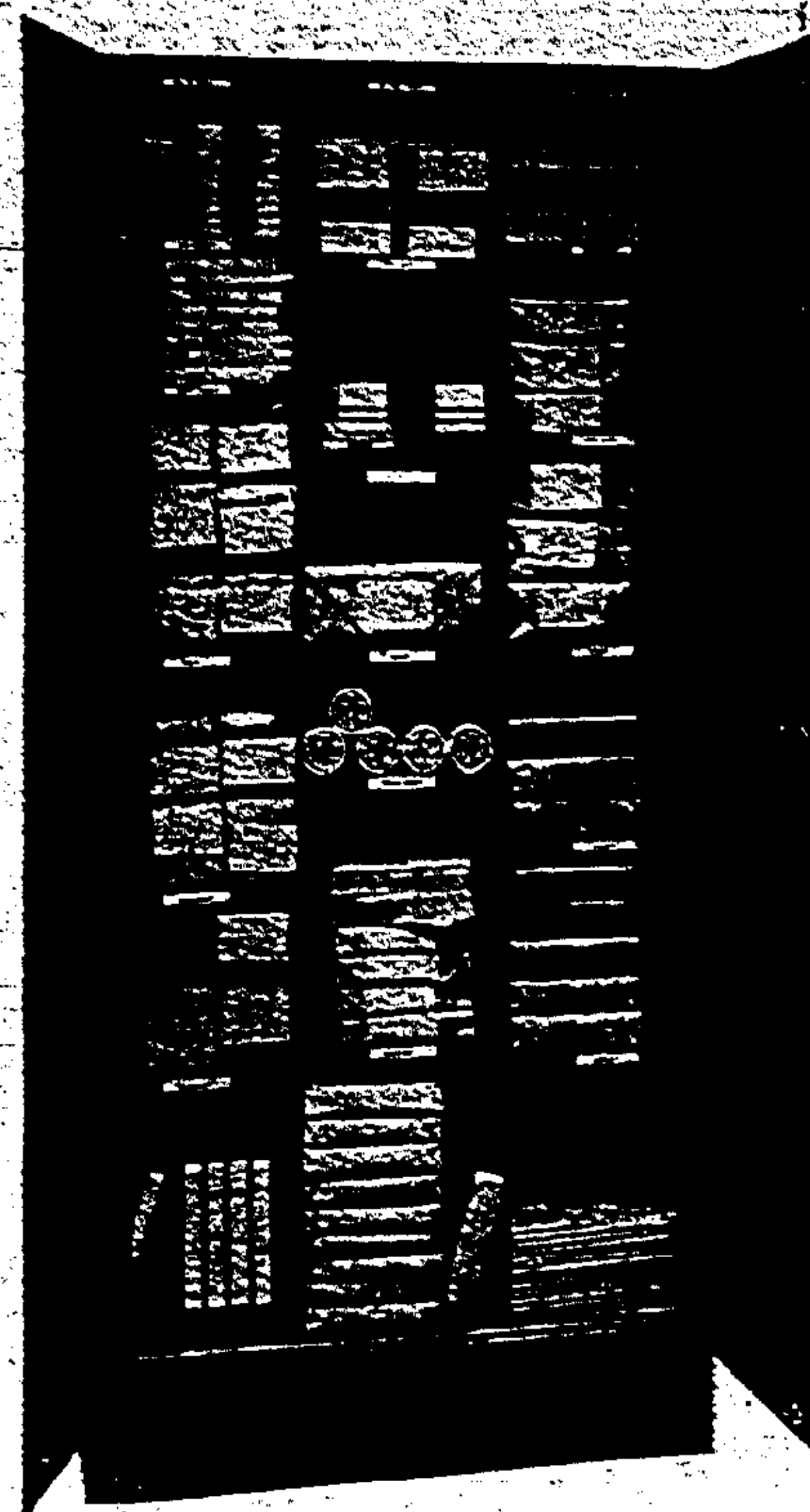
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FIRST-DIVISION	SECOND-DIVISION	SCOTTISH LEAGUE	THIRD-DIVISION (South)	THIRD-DIVISION (North)
BINGHAM (3) v Wolves (1)	Bradford (1) v NCASTLE (3)	ABERDEEN (2) v Motherwell (2)	ALDERSHOT (0) v Exeter (0)	ARLINGTON (3) v Lincoln (0)
Brentford (-) v BOLTON (-)	BURNLEY (-) v Charlton (-)	Albion (-) v ARBROATH (-)	Bournemouth (-) v Southend (-)	CTERFIELD (3) v Barrow (0)
DERBY (4) v Everton (1)	BURY (1) v Notts F. (0)	CLYDE (3) v Hibernian (2)	Bristol City (3) v WATFORD (1)	CREWE (4) v Rochdale (1)
GRIMSBY T. (1) v Blackburn (2)	DONCASTER (-) v Blackpool (-)	Hamilton (4) v CELTIC (2)	CARDIFF (2) v Crystal P. (0)	Darlington (5) v Carlisle (0)
Leeds (4) v Stoke (2)	FULHAM (4) v Hull (0)	HEARTS (1) v Airdrie (0)	COVENTRY (1) v Reading (2)	G'SHEAD (1) v Walsall (0)
LIVERPOOL (6) v Chelsea (0)	LEICESTER (-) v Sheffield (-)	Kilmarnock (-) v T. Lanark (-)	GILLINGHAM (3) v Northampton (1)	HALIFAX (4) v Hartlepool (-)
P'SMOUTH (1) v Middlesbrough (0)	M'STER L. (3) v Plymouth (2)	QUEEN'S P. (4) v Dundee (0)	Luton (3) v Clapton (0)	Oldham (-) v M'SFIELD (-)
PRESTON (2) v Huddersfield (0)	Port Vale (4) v Barnsley (0)	Queen O'S (2) v D'MLINE (0)	MILLWALL (2) v Queen's P.R. (0)	SOUTHPORT (1) v Chester (1)
WESDAY (2) v Aston Villa (1)	SWANSEA (0) v Southampton (1)	RANGERS (2) v Ayr (0)	NOTTS C. (-) v Bristol R. (-)	STOCKPORT (0) v York (0)
STERLAND (2) v Arsenal (1)	TOTTENHAM (-) v Bradford C. (-)	ST. J'STONE (2) v Partick (1)	SWINDON (0) v Newport (0)	TRANMERE (-) v N. Brighton (-)
W. Brom. A. (1) v M'STER C. (1)	W. HAM (1) v Norwich (0)		Torquay (3) v BRIGHTON (0)	WREXHAM (0) v E'ham U. (1)

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The bride, who was given away by Surgeon Captain G. D. C. Ferguson, R.N., looked charming in a wedding dress of ivory crepe satin and was attended by Mrs. Ferguson, Matron of Honour, who was dressed in a blue frock trimmed with cherry, and Miss Valerie Bockler, in flowered chiffon, as bridesmaid. Mr. William Simpson was best man.

A reception was held later at Surgeon Captain Ferguson's residence at the R.N. Hospital, after which the happy couple left for Repulse Bay, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride's going-away dress was a blue tweed coat frock with a half-length musquash fur coat and brown velvet hat.



Though he had just returned from his vacation, President Roosevelt looked tired as he arrived at Hyde Park, New York, to stay until after election day. This is they latest closeup of the President, showing how he appeared on the third anniversary of his election and the changes the cares of office have made in him.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

To-day is a happy day for the little guests of the Society for the Protection of Children, who are giving a Christmas party to the poor in the shape of a visit to the Majestic Theatre. A special programme has been arranged which is calculated to give the maximum of enjoyment to the youngsters.

The s.s. Talma will leave for Amoy at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. Naldora was scheduled to leave Shanghai last Tuesday and is expected here to-morrow morning.

The s.s. Soudan is due here from Singapore at noon to-day.

The Imperial Airways liner Dorado, engaged on a series of flights, left Kai Tak for Penang last Tuesday morning, and will return to Hong Kong to-morrow afternoon.

The next series of public lectures arranged by the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, will be given in the Society's Lodge Room, Chater Road, every Thursday at 6 p.m., commencing January 9, 1936.

FOOTBALL UPSETS

TO-DAY'S GAMES

FIRST DIVISION

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Arsenal v Liverpool
Birmingham v Grimsby
Chelsea v Manchester C.
Derby v Portsmouth
Everton v Wednesday
Huddersfield v Aston Villa
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Wolves v Bolton

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Blackpool v Burnley
Bradford v Leicester
Charlton v Fulham
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Aldershot v Coventry
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CHRISTMAS REVELS AT THE HOTELS

Floors Crowded To Capacity

MASKEE DEPRESSION!

Christmas in Hong Kong was, as usual, a very cheerful affair and the festive spirit was evident everywhere. There was such a large crowd at the Hong Kong Hotel that the floor was crowded to capacity for every dance, but despite this everybody had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Cowan and Bailey, together with Ted and Evelyn, entertained with some capital cabaret numbers and, with the orchestra in their best form, everything went with a swing right through the evening till the wee sma' hours, when a tired but happy "six hundred" reluctantly wended their way home.

Although Repulse Bay was not the centre of attraction, there were many couples who preferred to take the beautiful ride to the Bay for their dinner and dance.

However, the carnival dinner dances at the Hong Kong Hotel and the Peninsula, where dancing was continued until 3 a.m., proved the main attraction.

Last evening the Rose Room of the Peninsula held the majority of Christmas Day revellers, as bookings indicated that capacity point was reached some days ago. Many also attended the tea dance at the Hong Kong Hotel, which was run as usual yesterday.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG

Charitable Gifts To Italian Convent

On the occasion of his Birthday, Sir Robert Ho Tung last Sunday gave a dinner party to the Orphanage at the Italian Convent (Cassian Institute) in the presence of a large gathering of friends and acquaintances.

Among those present were Lady Ho Tung and Miss Clare Ho Tung, H. E. Sir Reginald Fleming Johnston (formerly Commissioner of Wei-hai-wei) and Dr. and Mrs. K. C. Yeo.

The Rev. Mother Superior and the Community were also present at the function, when gifts from Sir Robert, given to the Italian Convent Orphanage, St. Francis Convent, and the Honeyville (Home for the Blind), institutions run under the patronage of the Italian Convent.

The Rev. Mother Superior and the Community express their heartfelt thanks for Sir Robert Ho Tung's generosity.

To-day's Short Story

Shining Hat At Tarring Neville

By T. H. White

THERE were two Spurriers, twin brothers, who used to unt with the Larkspur until 1931. They came of a hard-riding family, which had failed to have too many children in the 'fifties, and remained pretty warm. Their parents spoiled them when they were young, bringing them up in the tradition of Jack Mytton.

Indeed, there was some sort of gossip in the county which connected the Spurriers in a left-handed way with the squire himself. He was said to have known the great-grandmother in Boulogne, during his last days, before he lighted his nightshirt as a cure for the he-cups.

Whatever the truth of that may have been, the Spurrier boys were completely ungovernable. They were 'andsome, in a hatchet-faced sort of way, fair-haired and cold-eyed. If anybody ever did, those boys had sold their souls to the devil. It was not only that they were reckless-like could Mytton, they were only afraid of one thing: being afraid—but they were at the same time utterly ruthless, and treated other people with the same impartial cruelty which they gave to themselves.

It was not only that the smallest provocation would cause them to leap their 'osses over the spiked railings of the park, nor even that they set themselves systematically to accomplish each of the feats attributed to their supposed great-grandfather. Such things as that might have been the result of 'igh spirits, or devilment, or something equally innocent.

But the Spurriers were mad. The essence of madness is the unexpected. Lunatics frighten us because they are outside the normal sequence. When they become actively so they terrify us as well. Of course, some lunatics are not terrible: Oi mean the passive

"LIBYAN SANDS"

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RECORD OF REMARKABLE JOURNEY

"Libyan Sands" by Ralph A. Bagnold, Hodder and Stroughton, London, 1935.

This book, described by the author as "Travel in a Dead World," is a new departure in books of exploration and discovery. We have got so used to reading of travels in Tibet, of voyages through the South Seas and of braving Antarctic ice, that fresh fields such as this have instant appeal.

At first one is tempted to think that these pages will turn out as dry and uninteresting as one imagines the desert to be; but before many pages are read one realises that the desert, beyond the fascination that is shared by all things vast and unknown, is alive with interesting and baffling problems that challenge irresistibly the man with adventurous spirit.

Major Bagnold and his companions are of this type, and their response to the challenge has led to the vivid description of remarkable phenomena and commendable ingenuity that made possible the successful expeditions through this amazing desert land.

Adaptability Of Man
The adaptability of man is no less wonderful than his response to the challenge has led to the vivid description of remarkable phenomena and commendable ingenuity that made possible the successful expeditions through this amazing desert land.

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After reading such a book as this, one understands more clearly not only the way in which geographical features mould the destiny of nations, but the way in which they bring about their own conquest by challenging a group of men possessing the zeal to tackle whatever problems their hands find to do. Those interested in expeditions in little-known lands should not miss this book.

ones who merely believe in themselves and remain inactive. But the active lunatics, the ones who, far from being static, are on the contrary liable to do anything at any moment, these are the scourges that reduce the normal man to terror.

The Spurriers were like this. They had a devil of action inside them, as well as a devil of contrariety and a devil of curiosity. Let me illustrate this with a story. Oi expect you have, at one time or another, twisted your sister's arm. A point is reached, you will remember, when the poor girl claims that the limb is going to break. One then has an internal struggle during which one wonders whether this is true. One gives the member a little further turn, and stops, horrified at the imaginary possi-

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Dead Reckoning," by Ralph Stock.

bility. John Spurrier once dislocated his brother Peter's arm, to see whether it would happen. Peter, of course, never winked an eyelid. Only, about six weeks later, he stabbed his brother in the back with a penknife, and laid him up for four months.

Oi need hardly say that the twins hated each other like poison. The boys were always in the first flight of the Larkspur. They made a point of ridin' at anything that seemed impossible. They were magnificent horsemen, had schooled their 'osses over wire, and had broken most of the bones in their bodies. They invariably rode to cut each other down and used to have stand-up fights with any weapons that came handy, rakes, fists, pokers or dinner knives, about once a month.

Naturally enough the hatred was akin to love. They were all-in-all to each other in their queer way. When they were not trying to take each other's lives, they were as thick as thieves. They loved each other like David and Jonathan; but it was the crazy passion of a homicidal David and an incestuous Jonathan. There was something of the poet Byron and Augusta in it, something of that classical feller, Gedeon, or Shakespeare's Hamlet, or King Lear.

We normal subscribers quailed before the satanic pair, and 'ad good reason to do so. They took a cruel pleasure in practical jokes, the basic assumption on which they founded them being that everybody else was as Spartan as their selves.

They feared nothing, suffered everything, and expected the same of others from others. So, if Peter got drunk after dinner, you might expect to have a red-hot poker jammed gently across your knee, or if John's eyes looked woefully sarcastic he had locked his mother in the refrigerator.

There was the business over the Countess of Caperington, which you may remember, since it got a certain amount of unfortunate publicity. She was cruising with them on their yacht, and they got drunk in the channel. The boys forced all hands to take to the boats, including their mother, but not including the countess. She was picked up fourteen hours later, dereflect and hysterical, by Lord St. Empire, the Press baron who afterwards married her.

Oi knew them well, and always remained, like their other acquaintances, divided between fear and admiration. There was something clean and almost beautiful about their physical skill. And yet they were bounders. They had not an atom of courtesy or humanity or toleration. They were cads in the huntin' field, and to women, and to anybody weaker than themselves.

They would have robbed a blind beggar or soaked a pussy-cat in paraffin and lighted it. At the same time they preserved a purely snobbish code of honour about essentials, such as fishing, solely with the dry fly, to which they adhered with a contemptuous ferocity worthy of a better cause. They would suddenly make up their minds that So-and-so was not out of the top drawer, and systematically would set about making his life a burden to him, until he was generally thankful to sell his house and clear out of the county.

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THE KING'S BROADCAST

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LOCAL RECEPTION

Congratulations are due to the Hong Kong Broadcasting Committee for their admirable relay of the special Empire broadcast, which came through splendidly. Not all the Empire items could be distinctly heard, but the relays of the items from Britain were clear and distinct, especially the heart-warming talk on Piccadilly, and Regent Street Christmas traffic by a London taxi-driver. The greetings sent by two London children to their grandfather in New Zealand also came through wonderfully well, as did the actual introduction of the King by a New Zealand child.

Every word of His Majesty's message was distinctly heard. The King spoke in a slow, careful and distinct manner, in a conversational tone. The speech was full of homely touches, especially when he referred to his and the Queen's gratefulness and thanks for the spirit of love and loyalty shown by the Jubilee celebrations, and when His Majesty referred to the wedding of "my son" and "my children and grand-children." Finally, the King gave his personal blessing to all his people, scattered throughout the world who were listening to the King by a New Zealand child.

The King's message was followed by the singing of the National Anthem from Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and London.

APPROPRIATE EPILOGUE

This programme was followed by a most appropriate Epilogue spoken by the Rt. Rev. Ronald Hall, Bishop of Victoria. His Lordship dwelt upon the debt of love, which all mankind owes to Christ, and pronounced a special blessing for the people of this Colony. In the intervals of the Bishop's talk a quartette rendered most charmingly, two well-known Carols and "O Come All Ye Faithful."

This Epilogue was an innovative, we understand, and it was

GOVERNMENT HELP FOR MERCHANTS

Loan Facilities In Kwangtung

Canton, To-day.
The Provincial Government, at its regular meeting held on Tuesday, approved the scheme of lending money to needy merchants drafted by the Department of Finance. Only low interest will be charged on each loan and any merchant, with securities, may obtain the aid of the Government. — Central Press.

FISH SNARING AT NICE

This Method Is Too Easy

Detroit: Snaring fish by dazling them at night with a bright light has become so popular on the Riviera, that orthodox fishermen are finding their livelihood endangered.

The simplicity of this method is attracting numerous amateur fishermen. Any light, the brighter the better, is played on the surface of the sea. The fish are immediately attracted, approach and are so dazzled that they are easily caught.

Now a law has been passed that no fish caught in this way may be sold until after ten o'clock in the morning, an hour when busy housewives have long completed their morning's shopping. — Reuters.

MARRIED WOMEN TEACHERS

Middlesex Education Committee has announced its belief in the desirability of having married women on teaching staffs.

such a success, and is sure to have been so much appreciated, that we hope it will be made a regular feature of the local Christmas broadcasts.

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The autonomy movement in the Chinese provinces of Shanai, Hopen and Shantung has the backing of the Japanese, and they are expected to soon be under the domination of Japan's military officials. The map shows these provinces, also called, occupied by Japan in 1933; Manchukuo, Japan's "puppet State," and Chosen, the first Chinese territory taken by Japan in 1910.

Shining Hat At Tarring Neville

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The rivalry between the Spurrers was accentuated when they fell in love with the same girl. Each of them had by now acquired an equal number of steeplechases, a racing car and an airplane. They rode, drove, or flew with equal skill; and it became the question which of the two would get the girl.

Relations were broken off, so that it looked as though the monthly quarrel would this time end in murder. The only thing was that they were both fond of being alone and did not propose to be 'tangled.' They sat down coolly to think out schemes for killing each other, without having to take the consequences.

It was no longer a question of foul riding in steeplechases, or anything of that sort; it was a question of premeditated and careful slaughter. They had got to kill each other clean. A bungled affair, with a broken limb instead of a broken neck, would be worse than useless.

The bloody business brewed up, naturally enough, during a frost. For three weeks the meads had to be cancelled and the brothers skated merrily on the grey ice, or waited for the duck at dawn, and sunset where there was running water. There was no sudden thaw. The temperature rose imperceptibly. The Master of the Larkspur is a keen man and took his rounds out at the first opportunity, whilst the ice was still brown on the lakes at Beldon Hall. The brothers came out on the same day.

Peter was riding a troublesome 'oss that had not been made any more docile by the weeks in stable. He sent him with the groom to a place about a mile from Beldon, partly with the idea of having a secluded place to mount him in the event of his proving fractious, partly with the idea of coming to terms with him before the actual meet.

John was riding a quiet 'oss, which he sent over the whole way, and was to follow in the car. Peter started first. He had covered a quarter of a mile on the mettlesome steed when he heard John's car behind him. It was a brown car with four hooters, including a siren.

When John saw Peter in front of him, the 'oss was walking sideways along the road. Both boys had been drinking on account of the frost and the gel and the general situation. John changed down two gears, accelerated until he was making the loudest possible noise, and, when he was about ten yards behind his brother, blew the siren with as many hooters as he could cover.

The 'oss stood up on each end, took two and a half leaps, and came down sideways on the tarmac with its hooves, fashing in the air. You know the sideways motion of the offside leg, and the crash and the pain. Peter was flat on the road, with his right leg under the saddle. John accelerated and ran over him, slowly taking both his near wheels across. He brother's chest.

It was said by the country people, where the story is beginning to be a legend, that Peter spoke to him through the floorboards of the car. In any case the next groom to happen along the road, which was a lonely one, found the brothers together. The 'oss and got to its feet unhurt, and had cleared off

back to the stable. John had dragged his brother to the bank at the side of the road and propped him up against the hedge. He was kneeling in front of him, and the two were staring each other out eye to eye. Peter's eyes died, but never closed; he did not speak again.

John 'unted as if nothing had happened. He never afterwards referred to his brother, except at the coroner's quest, where he explained that it had been impossible to draw up in time. But a queer thing was that he took no further interest in the girl; and another thing was that he began drinking more heavily than ever.

Also, he began to ride badly. The people in the second flight, in which he was now riding as often as not, used to see him pulling his 'oss suddenly at fences. He appeared to change his mind at the last moment and swerve, and try to go over a few yards to the left or right. Of course, this was scarcely fair on the 'oss, and he used to get refusals; and then he would swear in a bitter way, quite unlike the usual 'untin oaths, which are generally fifty per cent. fricht.

Not that I mean to imply that John wasn't afraid. It would be truer to say that he was terrified. After about six weeks of this he began to come out tipsy, and the spirits loosened his tongue. People used to hear him talking to himself, or at any rate talking, with his head turned slightly sideways as if he were speaking to his shoulder.

It sounded like a sort of run-in commentary, mixed with expostulations and defiance. It would rise to an eerie crescendo as he went at his fences, and then he would swerve and refuse, and curse in his soft terrible way. In the evenings he would lock himself in the dining-room with his port, and talk away for hours to nobody. He used to throw decanters about, and once broke both the french windows by firing a shot-gun straight down the table.

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TRANS-ATLANTIC ZEPPELINS

German Service To America

Washington.—Plans have been completed for the inauguration of regular trans-Atlantic crossings, between Germany and the United States next spring, by a huge new Zeppelin, now nearing completion in Germany.

It is learned that the Navy Department that the new dirigible, capable of carrying 50 passengers as well as mail and freight, is scheduled for a series of twelve trips.

Arrangements made by Zeppelin Company officials and Commander Garland Fulton, U.S.N., call for the American landing points to be Lakehurst (New Jersey) and Miami (Florida).

The trips will be similar to those conducted between Germany and South America, by the *Graf Zeppelin*, predecessor of the new ship. Reuter.

DUBLIN WARE BLAZE

Waterloo Road at Dublin, near the goods wharves, was seriously damaged by fire last month.

MR. CHOU LU EAGERLY AWAITED IN CANTON CIRCLES

First Hand News On New Policy

MR. HU HAN-MIN DEMANDS EXPLANATION

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, To-day. Responding to the urgent call of his Canton colleagues to return here, Mr. Chou Lu, leading member of the South-west Political Council and concurrently member of the C. E. C. standing committee, was scheduled to leave Shanghai yesterday aboard the Present Grant for the South.

Leaders here are anxious to find out the new Japan policy of the Nanking Government, particularly the future relations between Canton and Nanking, and Mr. Chou, who took part in all the important meetings of the Nanking leaders, knows thoroughly the programme on domestic and foreign issues.

The South-west Political Council has been silent during the past two weeks on the North China issue. It is said that the Council is impressed with the difficulties confronting the Nanking Government and has refrained from making any criticisms. At any rate, high officials want to know the full inside story from Mr. Chou before making known their stand.

Mr. Chen Yung, secretary-general of the South-west Political Council, and Mr. Chou Lu will go to Singapore to welcome home Mr. Hu Han-min from Europe around January 20. Mr. Hu also wants to know the actual situation in Nanking from Mr. Chou before he goes to the capital.

LOCAL ESTATES

Canton Widow Leaves \$34,600

Mr. Reginald Edward Hulton, late of Weston Lodge, Harding Street, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, who died on January 29, 1935, left local estate valued at \$2,090. An application by Mr. E. J. Armstrong, solicitor, the lawful attorney, for sealing probate of the will, has been granted.

Local estate, valued at \$34,600, was left by Mrs. Lan Wong-eh, widow, late of 107 Po Yuen Maloo, Canton, who died on May 12 this year at the age of 41. Letters of administration to the estate have been granted to the son, Mr. Lan Chen-ying.

CROSS-ROADS DISCOVERY

Bones, believed to be those of a suicide buried in days before 1829, when suicides were buried at cross-roads, were discovered by a workman digging a trench at cross-roads at Willenhall, Warwickshire.

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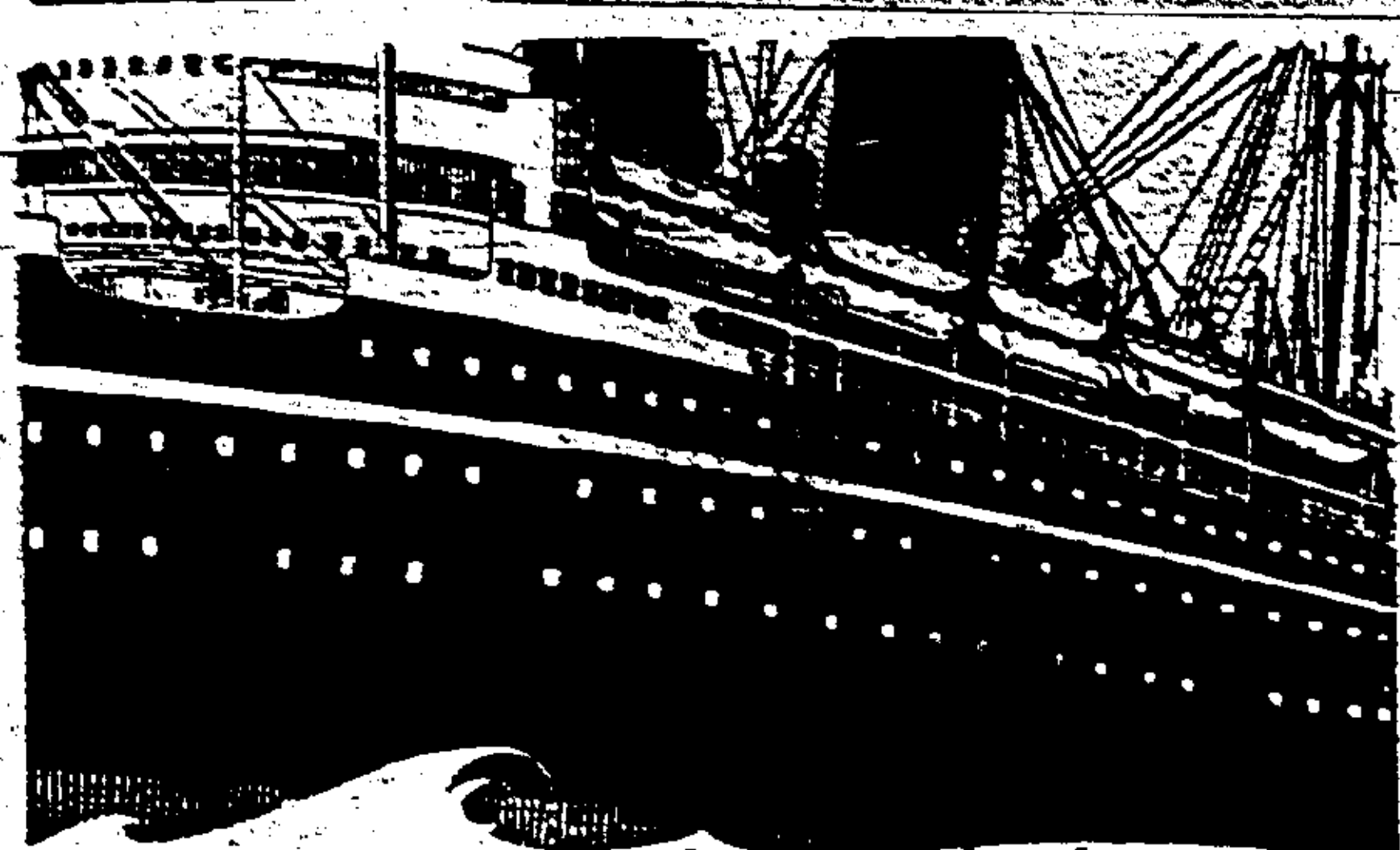
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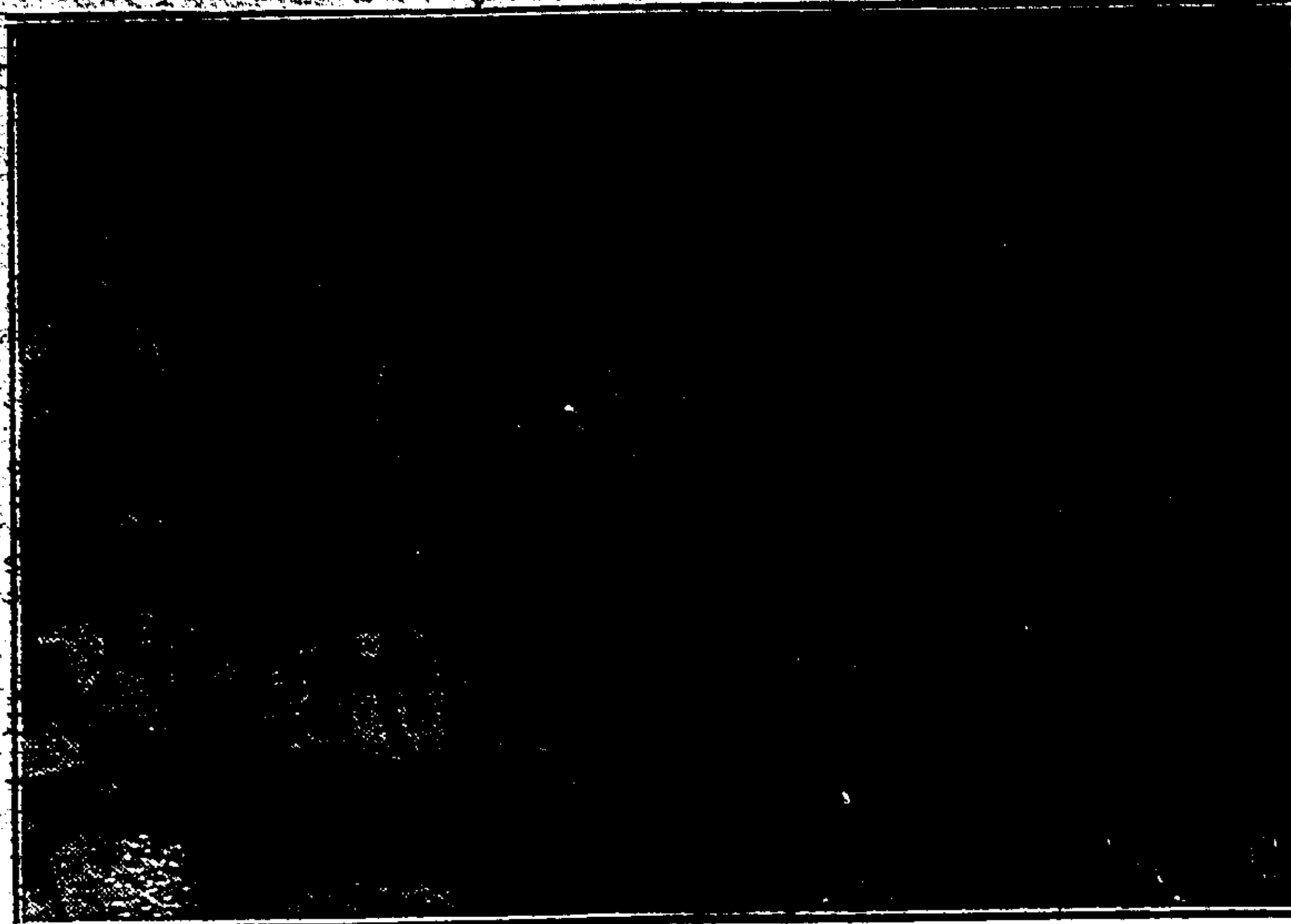
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These praying Virginia mountain children await the return of Edith Maxwell, the "curfew girl" slayer, to her Mill Creek school desk, as nationwide U.S. women's organizations seek to have her 25-year sentence appealed. The backwoods town of Wise, Virginia, is split wide open as factions battle, pro and con over the verdict, which found her guilty of killing her father when he attempted to beat her for staying out late.

Shining Hat At Tarring Neville

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Although he appeared to have lost his nerve entirely, and although he seemed to be practically mad, he insisted on doing everything which he had been accustomed to do before. He still hunted four days a week, and drove his car and flew his airplane. He went as usual to the hunt hall. "Oi was there too, and got a first-hand account of his death. It appears that he took to the champagne almost at once, and was heard offering to fight Tony Pyefinch with any weapon, or to race him on or in any vehicle, alive or dead, over a course to be selected at random. Tony Pyefinch wisely escaped by ordering him another drink, and the challenge was then extended to all comers.

John immediately began to behave like a ventriloquist without a dummy. He said to his left shoulder that he was not afraid of him or of any man, that he would certainly race him in the car from there to Tarring Neville and back again, leaving their hats on the front steps to show they had been there.

He said that he was perfectly ready to start at once, and that each driver should select his route according to fancy. The important thing was to leave their hats at Tarring Neville, and the first man home to be the winner. With that he took another draught of champagne, broke the glass on the floor, and stamped off to find the car. Some of the bystanders were frightened and wondered whether they ought to do something about it.

Tony volunteered to follow him up if he could. But before they could find his car, in the middle of radiator lights and amateur point-duty-men behind the stables, the engine started up, like "ounds scoring to cry, and swept away into the darkness with a chiming crescendo of detonations.

MEET "SOLDIER SUSANNA"

Kisses Women's Hands

JUST AN OLD AUSTRIAN CUSTOM

Dresden: The most picturesque figure in Dresden, "Soldier Susanna," is now having the story of her life written by the Countess Edith Salburg.

She is a woman, now in the thirties, who fought for the Austrians on the Italian front in the war.

She was first a nurse, but subsequently saw active service in the trenches. She has two war medals. Her mother was an Austrian Countess and her father a Hungarian official.

"Soldier Susanna" has special permission from the police of Dresden to wear man's clothing, which she always does. And when she appears in society, she follows the Austrian custom of kissing the ladies' hands.

IRON WORKS HILL

A fox, hunted by the British, scaled a 100-foot high cliff and stood on Iron Works Hill and was killed near the workshop.

JAPAN'S AIMS IN NORTH CHINA

Dramatic Statement By Gen. Minami

"MUST HAVE N. CHINA AND OUTER MONGOLIA"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

General Jiro Minami, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese troops in Manchuria, has indicated his determination to occupy North China and Outer Mongolia, according to vernacular telegrams received here from Changchun. "Japan must have North China and Outer Mongolia at all costs," General Minami is reported to have announced. "We are determined to take these provinces even at the risk of war with Soviet Russia. Border fighting between my troops and Mongolians has broken out, and I am sending reinforcements."

The Japanese are pressing General Sung Cheh-ran to cede Eastern Chahar to Manchukuo owing to its strategic value in the event of a war between Japan and the Soviet Union. Major General Hayao Tada and Kenji Doihara are also urging the Chahar and Peiping Political Council to effect immediate co-operation among China, Japan and Manchukuo in order to present a united front towards Moscow.

Large numbers of Japanese troops are being sent to Northern Heilungkiang (in Manchuria) which borders on Siberia. Secret Japanese terms for co-operation were communicated to General Sung, who was asked to give a prompt reply.

coral, and the breeding of the many forms of life inhabiting the Great Barrier Reef, is a mystery that has baffled scientists for years. It is thought that the floating masses of still more elementary animal life and vegetable life known as plankton, which abounds at this spot, are largely responsible. But the study of plankton as the basis of marine life is a comparatively new one, and so the presence of exquisite beauty and hideous death which go hand in hand across the Reef still remains a mystery.

By far the most interesting of the people inhabiting this spot are the Polynesians, who, above all other races of men, are dependent on the coral and animal life of the place for their existence. Before the coming of the white and yellow men they were a simple, dignified race with a civilization and culture of high order. All that remains of them to-day, however, is a poor remnant of their race utterly dependent on employment by white or yellow masters.

Slips of all nations that steam along the coast of Queensland honour a wife and family of the fast-dying Polynesian race by blowing a long blast on the siren. For at this spot lives the widow of a hero who, one stormy night, swam with his wife through the shark-infested sea to carry a rope to rescue the crew of a sinking ship. Thus every ship blows her siren as she passes the scene of this disaster, as a token of respect and gratitude.

Wonders of Great Barrier Reef (Continued from Page 8.) hideous of living creatures. It is a flabby, warty creature with blotched colourings of grey and green, and it lies motionless in its pool—almost indistinguishable from its surroundings, of coral-growth. It requires the experienced eye of a native to discover the presence of the deadly stonefish.

This repulsive creature is armed with a row of thirteen spines, sharply pointed and as strong as steel, and at the approach of an enemy these are erected. When anything touches the spines of a stonefish it releases poison from sacs at the base, which is squirted into the wound. The intense agony caused by stepping on a stonefish is unbearable. Days of blinding pain, and sometimes death, await the unfortunate person who suffers from the poison, and nothing can be done for the sufferer except to inject opium and keep him unconscious.

The Oyster A great industry employs thousands of natives and white people on the Great Barrier Reef, and this is due to the presence of the pearl oyster in vast quantities. These oysters are known as the gold and silver of the reef, and a single shell may weigh as much as seven pounds and be a foot in diameter. They are collected by the basketful and from them is made mother-of-pearl.

It is said that the oysters of the Great Barrier Reef make the best mother-of-pearl, which is of an exquisite lustre, and great quantities have sprung up on the mainland to deal with the produce.

To account for the growth of

ETERNAL SPIRIT OF CHINESE ART

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which painting should strive to achieve. These are the famous Six Canons, which are very important as a guide to the principles of Chinese art, and have been religiously followed to the present day. They are:

1. Rhythmic vitality.
2. Anatomical structure.
3. Conformity with nature.
4. Suitability of colouring.
5. Artistic composition and group.
6. Copying of classical masterpieces.

The first of these rules is the one that matters most. To the Chinese painters owe the wonderful sense of movement and actuality that is their special characteristic. Instead of the frozen accuracy of a mass of detail, it leads them to prefer the accuracy of a swift impression, the quiver of movement and the feeling of space; to convey a suggestion of their subject by confining themselves to its chief features, in place of trying to get the whole of it into their picture.

Above all, it enables them to record, not only what a scene looks like, but also something of their own emotion on beholding it. It tends to reveal the spirit rather than to display the substance.

Five Dynasties

The conception of the Six Canons shows that a wide view of the functions of painting was formed at a very early date. This accounts for the amazing variety in Chinese art, with its themes drawn from innumerable aspects of human life, Nature and religious legend. The fortunes of war blotted out succeeding dynasties, but an intense artistic activity continued invincibly. Each new ruling family, however, gave it a particular tinge, and attached their name to its different phases.

The T'ang dynasty, from the seventh to the tenth century, is the classic period, distinguished for majestic works dealing with subjects of the Buddhist religion, elegant pictures of Court life, and the rise of landscape art. The Sung dynasty, lasting to the thirteenth century, is the Golden Age of Chinese painting, particularly famed for its landscapes and Nature studies.

During the Yuan, or Mongol dynasty, which reached to the fourteenth century, hunting scenes and pictures of horses were especially popular. The Ming dynasty, extending to the seventeenth century, was the academic epoch, when deft craftsmanship and highly finished style predominated. The Ch'ing, or Manchurian dynasty, which ended in 1911, was a period of facility and the imitation of tradition producing much graceful work, but decadent in spirit.

But though the later work has lost the earlier force, Chinese painting as a whole remains curiously alive. The unending quest for vital rhythm gives it a dynamic quality, while the artist's interest in "all things both great and small" from Emperor to beggar and eagle to butterfly, acts as a stimulus to our own.

Landscape Painters

The appeal is most compelling in the case of the landscape painter, who expresses in another medium the essence of English Nature poetry. In marvellous passages of winding river, forest, and mountain, they draw the imagination up to peaks, and to tranced serenity. There is nearly always in some poem of their pictures a solitary hermit lost in contemplation of Nature's grandeur, making the scene before him a bridge to spiritual delight; and we know that he is a symbol of the artist himself, inviting us to share his mood.

Others have concentrated their ardour, devoting themselves to the minutiae of creation, spending their lives exclusively painting bamboo leaves, little fish, or insects. But whether dealing with the immense or the infinitely small, it is through its absorption in the world of Nature that Chinese art communicates most directly with us to-day.

The painter's feeling for rhythm is carried on triumphantly into other forms of artistic expression. It is an important factor in the writing of Chinese characters, which is considered a sister-art to painting. It gives a flower-like grace to impressive religious statuary, and an alert semblance of life to the small animal carvings and figures in bronze and porcelain that are China's chief contribution to sculpture.

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MAYOR ENTERS VAUDEVILLE

Introduces Mules And Acrobats

Pittsburgh.—Vaudeville, the Mayor of Pittsburgh will tell you, is the way to make money. "For one week only" and for U.S.\$1,500, Mayor William Mc-Nair has discarded his chain of office to play the part of Master of Ceremonies at a revue in a local theatre.

He will use the \$1,500 to pay the costs of a lawsuit about pollution of the town's water supply.

Vote Refused

The City Council refused to vote the money, so the Mayor went out and earned it.

The Mayor's own vaudeville act is a great success. He plays a violin, eats an apple and sings a song in Italian.

Among the other acts he has to introduce are a mule, some Arabian acrobats and a troop of hill-billies.—Reuter.

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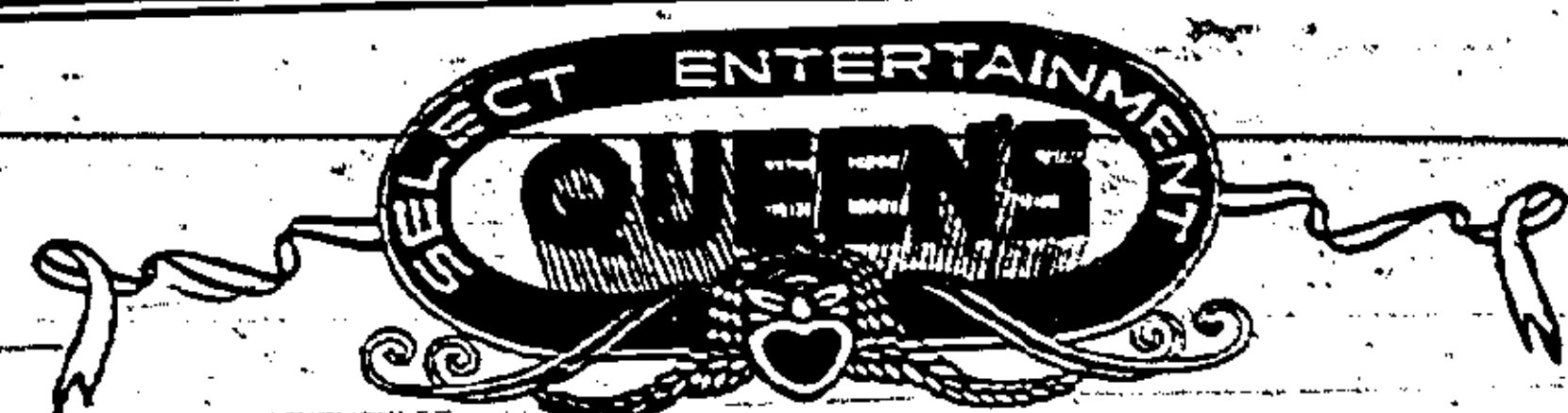
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Premier Mussolini has a parting word with Marshal Badoglio as the new commander of the Italian forces in Africa leaves Rome for Eritrea, where he replaced General de Bono as chief of the forces invading Ethiopia.

MR. HU HAN-MIN'S RETURN

Leaving France
To-morrow

Canton, To-day.
Mr. Hsiao Fu-chen, member of C.S.C. and the South-west Political Council and a prominent political figure, gave out the following, when interviewed by reporters on Tuesday:

(1) Mr. Hu Han-min will sail for China from France on the 27th inst. and will probably arrive at Hong Kong by the end of the coming month.

(2) Mr. Chow Lu, Chancellor of Sun Yat-sen University, who is now in Nanking, decided to leave for the south yesterday. He will arrive at Canton some time this week.—Central Press.

ANCIENT CLASSICS IN CHINA

New Institution Of
Learning

Canton, To-day.
The members' conference of the Ming Tak Society was formally opened on Tuesday at the Mass Education Institute. More than 180 members attended the meeting and, also, hundreds of guests were present.

So far the Society has established eight branch societies in different districts and has made possible the existence of the Hoi Hoi Institute — an institution of learning, the purpose of which is to revive the ancient classics of China.—Central Press.

KWANGTUNG'S DEFENCE

Discussion Of Problems Urged

Canton, To-day.
The assemblies of many districts — i.e. Ching Yuen, Kwong Ning, Ko Yiu, Cheong Seng, etc. — have separately dispatched telegrams to the Provincial Assembly urging the latter to bring up for discussion the problem as to what steps should be taken to strengthen the defence of this province. Only by strengthening Kwangtung's defence, read the telegrams, can we aid our country in warding off foreign aggression and preserving China's territorial integrity.—Central Press.

CANTON'S INSANE ASYLUM

Municipal Unit
Established

Canton, To-day.
The Bureau of Public Health of the Municipal Government has decided to unite the 1st and 2nd Insane Asylums, in Canton and Fong Chuen respectively, into one. Henceforth they will assume the name of The Municipal Insane Asylum, and Dr. Wong Pung-tung will be placed in charge of the entire institution.—Central Press.

HIRED CARS IN CANTON

Stricter Licensing
Regulations

Canton, To-day.
At the meeting held by the Planning Commission of the Municipal Government on Tuesday a motion was passed which stipulates that henceforth license plates will be withdrawn from all hired cars with poor engines.

The purpose of the motion is primarily to assure safer automobile travelling and, also, to improve the appearance of the city which cannot be done while it is full of hired cars of old age.—Central Press.

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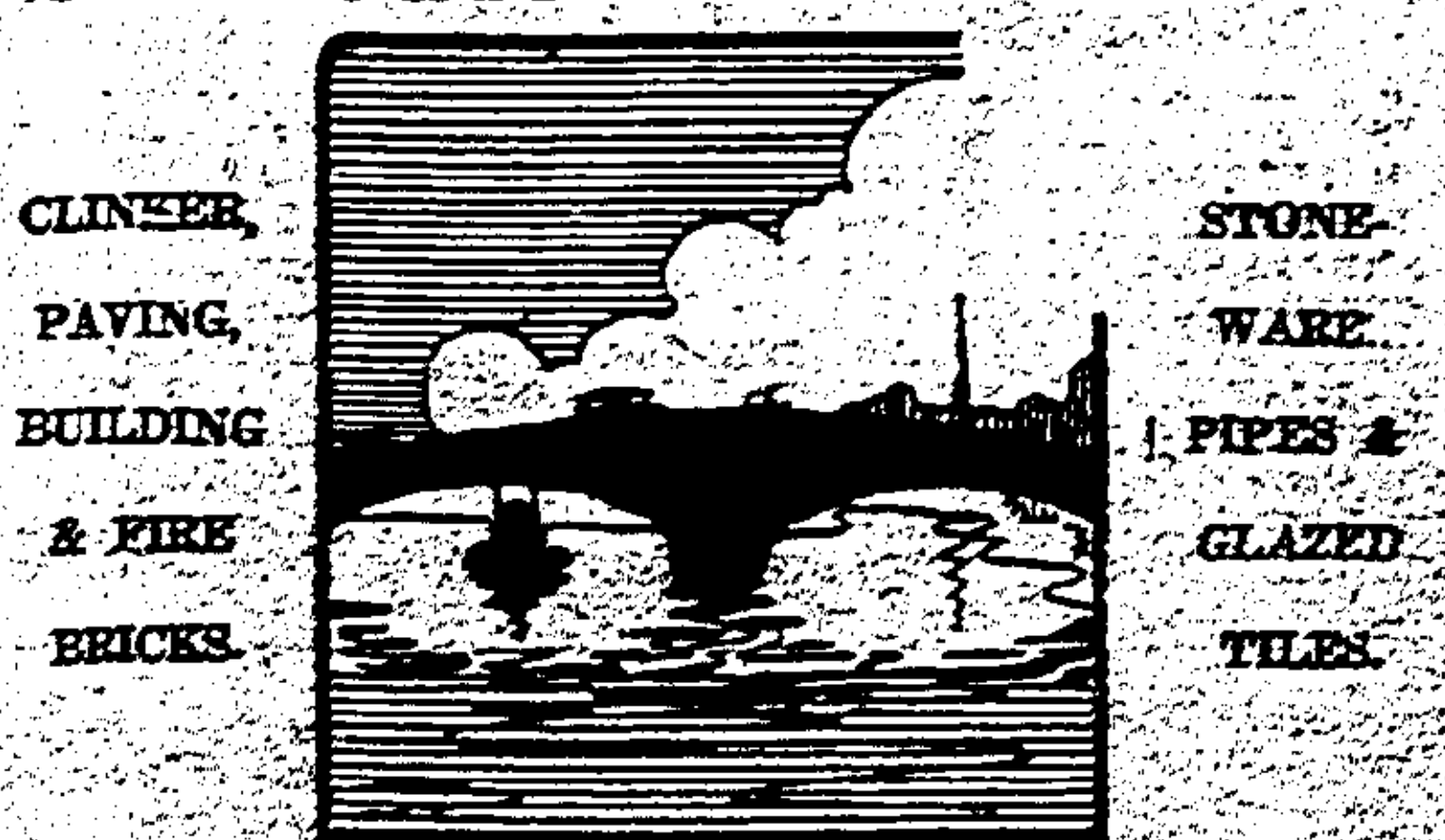
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